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WILL FIGHT TO-NIGHT

Sharkey and Fitzsimmons Ready for the Ring--Both Expect to Win.

HAYTIAN CABLE COMPLETED.

Grosvenor Not a Candidate for Speaker

Diaz Inaugurated for the Fifth Time--Goes Crazy Over Politics

San Francisco, Dec 2.—Fitzsimmons and Sharkey have ceased training and are fully primed for the meeting tonight. When Fitz weighed yesterday morning in fighting togs he tipped the scales at 178¼ pounds This will be about his weight when he goes into the ring. He never stripped as heavy for any battle before but added flesh as hard as rails His trainers are beaming all over with the belief in victory tonight. Hickory thinks the affair will last about three rounds; that Fitz will put Sharkey out with a straight punch. "Like all my battles this is going to be a short and a quick go said Fitz "I suppose Sharkey will play endurance but even if he were able to keep away from me, which he cannot, I can endure as long as he can, it is a cinch " Ring experts express the opinion that Sharkey is in almost too fine condition to it says owing to his youth and sound condition and the rest he will get today will counteract any weakness his seven weeks' exercise have entailed. The sailor is also confident of victory. He believes he will win inside of seven rounds. I can hit just as hard as Fitzsimmons can, he said, "and he will know before the fun is over that he has been in a fight

DRIVEN TO DEATH BY HIS CRIME.

Edgar Lytle Who Killed Himself, Was Charged with Embezzlement.

Chicago, Dec 2 —Edgar Lytle, who committed suicide at the Kimball hotel, 303 Clark street, Saturday night under the name of Bryan, was under a charge of embezzlement He was a traveling salesman for Tower, Dawson & Co, manufacturers of typewriters, 306 Broadway, New York

L V Abbott of 6106 Butler street, this city who represents Tower, Dawson & Co in Chicago told the police last night that he received word from the firm some time ago to cause the arrest of Lytle if he came to Chicago Mr Abbott did not know any particulars of the embezzlement barge The firm sent a description of Lytle and it corresponds with the dead man

Up to seven weeks ago Lytle was employed by the United Typewriter Supply company of Pittsburg Mr. Gilg, the manager said Lytle was well known at Dayton and Columbus. It is thought his home was at Meadville Pa After leaving the United Typewriter Supply company Lytle got a position with Tower, Dawson & Co He traveled through Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia.

THE HUNGARIAN DIET.

Polonyi Will Question the Government on Diplomatic Points.

Buda Pest Dec 2 —In the lower house of the Hungarian diet Polonyi gave notice he would question the government as to why there was no mention of the foreign situation in the speech from the throne Whether the government has knowledge of a treaty between Germany and Russia up to 1890. Whether Germany concluded a similar treaty with Russia since 1890 Whether the indications are pointing to a disturbance of the peace

POSTOFFICE BURNED.

Fire at Mason City, Iowa, Destroys the Mails Loss, $22,500.

Mason City Iowa, Dec. 2.—Mason City had a $22,500 fire yesterday. The postoffice and all the mails and contents were destroyed Insurance probably $10 000.

Proposition to Settle Strikes

Hamburg Dec 2 —At a meeting attended by 8000 strikers today resolutions were adopted providing for acceptance on behalf of the strikers of a proposition for settlement of their difference with their employers by a court of arbitration composed of representatives of the employers, employes and others disinterested.

The employes' union unanimously rejected the proposal.

Plate Glass Men Resume Work.

Pittsburg Dec 2.—All the factories under the control of the Pittsburg Plate Glass company in the country resumed operations in full today after a long idle new. There are indications for a comparatively steady run. Each factory employs hundreds of hands.

ATLANTA POSTMASTER REMOVED

Pernicious Activity in Favor of Free Silver the Cause--Alton Postmaster Named.

Washington, Dec. 2.—"Pernicious activity" was the reason assigned at the postoffice department yesterday for the removal of John W. Barr from the postoffice at Atlanta, Ill., which pays $1200 per annum. This case was one of a hundred brought to the attention of Postmaster General Wilson before and after the recent election, and in every case where the charges have been substantiated the order has been given, "Off with the culprit's head."

Marcellus Keen, who is named as the successor of Postmaster Barr, is a gold Democrat and was indorsed for appointment by Senator Palmer.

Death caused a vacancy in another Illinois postoffice, that at Alton, paying $2500 per year. John W. Huckmaster, who has been the incumbent for years, and in fact the office has been in his family for quite a long period, died, and the office was not permitted to pass from the family. Julia Buckmaster, a sister of the dead postmaster, was appointed to succeed her brother her application being indorsed by leading citizens of Alton, irrespective of party.

One of the cases in which Postmaster General Wilson has been compelled to act decisively was at Mexico, Mo., where the former postmaster was not content with espousing the cause of Bryan and silver, but was the leader of a crowd whose sole aim was to break up meetings held by gold Democrats in that section of the country.

25 CENTS FOR A HORSE.

That is What the Live Stock Commission Has Just Paid for One.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 2 —All the official records have been broken in the settlement of a claim for damages by the live stock commission, which paid a farmer 25 cents for a dead horse and $1.75 for the burial of the carcass.

The most singular feature of the claim was the fact that the farmer received more than he asked. He bought the horse recently for use on his farm, near Lincoln, and paid 25 cents for the animal. The state veterinarian found the animal afflicted with glanders, and ordered that it be slaughtered. The owner made no objection to the necessary sanitary measure, but made a formal claim before the live stock commission for the price he paid for the horse. The veterinarian recommended that $1.75 be added for burial expenses, and the commission allowed $2, making eight times the full amount asked.

The commission settled with the owners of four horses recently which were slaughtered on account of glanders, and paid $75 for the quartet

In comparison with the average price paid two or three years ago of $80 a head for glandered animals slaughtered by the state, this was considered a remarkable price for horses, but the new transaction sets a new mark.

THAT AIR-SHIP AGAIN.

John A Heron Tell of a Marvelous Trip He Took Recently.

San Jose, Cal., Dec 2 —John A. Heron, an electrician, tells an airship story which some believe and others credit to a fertile imagination. Heron is the patentee of an electric platinum speaking apparatus.

He says he went to San Francisco last Thursday by appointment to see the inventor of the airship, whose name he says he is pledged to conceal.

"We went on horseback to a point on Sandy Beach, where the airship was. We got aboard and rose very high. The height was registered by a meter on the ship. The inventor does not count distance by miles, but by degrees."

"We traveled westward, and before daybreak we saw lights, which the inventor said were Honolulu lights. We then turned east and at dusk Saturday evening we finished our two days' cruise and landed near the starting point. The airship rose by means of two propellers.

"The movement was noiseless and swift It can be stopped and held stationary in the air and descends light as a feather. The motive power is neither steam nor electricity.

Bryan's First Nominator Insane.

Guthrie, Okla, Dec. 2.—Judge W. L. Cundiff, of Enid, was committed to the territorial insane asylum yesterday, having become violently insane over politics. Cundiff formerly lived in Nebraska, and made the speech that nominated Bryan for congress the first time. During the campaign just closed he stumped Kansas and Nebraska for the silver champion. He was for years a leading attorney in Nebraska.

Blenheim Palace on Fire.

Oxford, Eng, Dec. 2.—Dispatches from Woodstock announce that fire has broken out in Blenheim palace. The only details are that the flames were first discovered in a saloon.

The fire in Blenheim palace was confined to the roof.

IMPORTANT TRIAL.

Suit for Libel Stirs Up German Politics—Grows Out of Czar's and Emperor's Toast.

A SHERIFF'S VIOLENT DEATH.

Several Lives Lost in a Fire at Atlantic City—Cabinet Crisis in Spain Said to Be Imminent.

Berlin, Dec. 2.--The trial of Leckart, Baron Von Lustzow, Ploetz,, Berger and Foellmer, journalists, charged with libelling Count Bulonberg, Baron Bieberstein and Prince Hohenlohe began today. The trial arises from a two fold version of the czar's and Emperor William's toast at Breslau. It is alleged the libels are contained in comments on a modified official version which the libel construed as unfriendly to Germany due to irresponsibility of the government and English influences. The trial is causing a sensation in political circles.

Sheriff Meets a Violent Death

Lemars, Iowa, Dec. 2.—T. E. Herron, the sheriff of Plymouth county, was found dead beside the track between Merrill and Lemars this morning. Marks on the snow showed he fell or was knocked from the train. The body was cut and bruised sliding on the ground and was frozen.

Killed in a Fire.

Atlantic City, N.J., Dec. 2.—Two men were killed at a fire this morning which destroyed $80,000 worth of property. Another man is missing and is supposed to be in the ruin of a church where the fire occurred.

Spanish Cabinet Crisis.

London, Dec. 2.—Standard's Madrid correspondent says that in spite of official denials persistent rumors cabinet crisis.

ALTGELD WANTS NOTHING.

Denies the Report that He is a Candidate for Mayor and Chairmanship of the State Committee

Chicago, Dec 2.—"Absolutely, unqualifiedly, positively, no I am not a candidate for chairman of the state committee."

Governor Altgeld thus declared himself when asked yesterday regarding the story printed in a Chicago paper that he desires to become absolute boss of the Democratic party in Illinois, and to reach that position wishes to be placed at the head of the state central committee.

"The story," he continued, "is not only untrue, but positively silly. I have never aspired to be chairman, and would under no circumstances accept the place should it be offered to me."

The governor came up from Springfield on business relative to the Ogden Gas company, and was in conference some time with members of that corporation. He was not in a mood to talk politics, but he did want to deny the "boss" story and also say that all the talk with reference to his being the nominee of any party for Mayor of Chicago next spring comes from ignorant sources.

"In the first place," he said, "I would not be eligible for the mayoralty for the reason that my residence is in Springfield. There is where I have lived and voted ever since I sold my house here and moved my furniture there in 1893. Furthermore, when my term expires I purpose to take a much needed rest and if I can get my affairs, which are in bad shape, arranged satisfactorily I shall take a trip to Europe in hopes of regaining my health."

In connection with the "party boss" story, it was said Col. Dose, the Governor's private secretary, had written to several members of the state committee asking them not to make any pledges or promises until certain matters could be explained. It transpires now that Col Dose was probably interesting himself in behalf of Theodore Nelson, who wants to be re elected secretary of the committee. As this job has a nice salary attached to it there are a number of ambitious young Democrats out in the state who think they could do the work and want the privilege of trying. Furthermore, some of them have conceived the notion that Mr. Nelson has held the place long enough.

So far as the chairmanship is concerned Governor Altgeld said he did not think there would be any fight over it, thus intimating that Hinrichsen will succeed himself without opposition.

RAMON O. WILLIAMS' RETURN.

Ex-Consul General to Cuba Tells of Facts Which Led to His Resignation.

New York, Dec. 2.—Ramon O. Williams, ex-consul general of the United States at Havana, arrived at his home in Brooklyn yesterday from a trip through England, France and Spain. He consented to talk for the first time concerning [illegible]

sona non grata to the Spanish government, and made his residence in Havana unpleasant. The particular episode in which Mr. Williams incurred the dislike of Spain, he says, was his insistence that Sanguilly, Aguirre and Carillo, who were arrested February 24, 1895, as insurgents and court-marshaled, should be tried in the civil courts under article 7 of the treaty of 1795. Mr. Williams said:

"Both the captain general and the insular secretary of state were entirely ignorant of the existence of article 7. The captain general became offended because I demanded the transfer from military to civil jurisdiction, and the case was reported in such a manner to the Madrid government as to almost provoke the revocation of my exequatur.

"I was guided in this by a recollection of similar cases which had come under my notice in Cuba. I was a young man employed as clerk in Havana in 1851, when the Crittenden men were shot, regardless of the treaty of 1795. I was a merchant in Havana when the Virginius men were shot in 1875, an almost similar case.

"Again, while I was there Jecanes, an Italian-American citizen who had gone, representing certain Spanish elements, to negotiate terms of peace with the insurgents in the eastern department, during the last insurrection, in 1878, was arrested by the Spanish forces, tried by court martial, condemned to death and shot in the fort at Cabanas, where Sanguilly and the Competitor prisoners are now held, regardless of the safeguards of the treaty of 1795 and the safe conduct given to him by the Spanish minister at Washington The recollection of these cases enabled me to make quick and earnest defense of these men, and it was this action on my part which gave offense to the Spanish authorities at Cuba.

"While I was in Washington, and acting on the rule that no man of self respect would want to return to or enter many place where he believes he is persona non grata, and, therefore, not welcome, I resolved not to continue longer in the position of consul general to the island, and signified my desire to resign. The circumstances, however, were of such a character that I went back to Havana, resumed charge of the office and continued the defense of Sanguilly until the case was transferred to the civil courts.

"A few weeks before this the case of the American citizen, Jose Cepro, who had been arrested and subjected to court martial, and other American citizens, had been treated the same way, in consequence I was not able to present my resignation in due form until February, 1896."

Mr. Williams said he returned to Havana only on the earnest solicitation of President Cleveland, and added that Secretary Gresham's subsequent illness and death occurred too soon to admit of his personally explaining to the secretary his views on the matter.

SENATOR BERRY'S CONTEST.

Notice Served on Manifold Embracing Reasons for the Contest

Springfield, Ill, Dec. 2.—Orville F. Berry will contest the election of William E Manifold, Popocrat, to the senate from the Twenty-eighth district, and, if seated, will probably be made president pro tem of that body.

A notice of contest has been served on Mr. Manifold in accord with law It is signed by J. Machsholl, a qualified voter of Hancock county, in the district. The notice denies Manifold's nomination by the People's party and declares his name was illegally put upon the ballot under the appellation "Peoples party." The claim is made that all votes cast for Manifold under the appellation of "People's party" should be disregarded in the contest. The gist of the notice and the principal ground of contest is in the ninth allegation, as follows.

"Ninth—That your name as such candidate upon the 'People's party' ticket was from the fact that one Louis Hull had been duly nominated, had declined to accept such nomination, and withdrawn as the nominee of the 'People's party,' whereas, in truth and in fact, said Louis Hull never was lawfully nominated by said 'People's party' for said office. That no certificate was ever filed showing his nomination in any mode authorized by law by the 'People's party,' and that at the time said Hull undertook to resign or withdraw his name from the said 'People's ticket' as a candidate, he was not, in fact, a candidate of any party; that the chairman secretary of the committee of the 'People's party' in this senatorial district had no authority to nominate you as a candidate for senator on said ticket in this district, and all votes counted for you on said ballot for the reasons herein stated should not have been so counted."

FOUND CRONIN'S BODY.

But the Reward was for Conviction of the Murderers.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—The suit of John Rosch, who found the body of Dr. Cronin in a sewer, to recover the reward of $5000 offered for evidence leading to the conviction of the murderers, was dismissed by the court. The court held that the find-

[illegible] farmers with their [illegible] went to Charles M[illegible] Mo., Joseph, and hauled [illegible] of corn. Mr. Malloy [illegible]

[illegible] to $432,451,606. Under the [illegible] of fortifications and other works of [illegible] millions is asked; for construction of gun and mortar batteries [illegible]

A CITY DOOMED.

Chippewa Falls, Wis., Doomed to Destruction Within a Few Hours.

FLOOD RUSHING DOWN UPON IT.

Everybody Trying to Save Their Household Effects and Goods—The Water Rises Four Feet in a Few Hours.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 2 —The Wisconsin's Chippewa Falls correspondent says confusion reigns there Thoroughly alarmed people are making every effort to leave as little for the incoming waters as possible. Two hundred teams have been rushed hither and thither all day. The streets are littered with merchandise spilled from overloaded wagons, hurrying to places of safety. The water remained stationary till 8 o'clock this morning when it began to rise rapidly. The river rose eighteen inches inside of four hours. At 10:20 it had risen four feet and was still rising. Business has been abandoned and the city is in a tumult. The greatest danger lies in the probable changing of the river's course to throw it into the town. It is plain the water can never cut its way under fifteen miles of ice gorge in the bed of the river. Experts believe the gorge will soon become anchored to the bottom of the river. In that case the river must flow around it. The natural course, in this event, is directly behind the town. Three thousand pounds of dynamite arrived this morning and men have been exploding it at various points along the river, but so far have failed to relieve the situation. All the buildings on the river street are flooded to the second story. Report was received this morning that the gorge at Little Falls, eighteen miles above the city, has broken permitting a rush of water on the town. If this report is authentic the entire town will be inundated as soon as the water reaches us. The report has caused consternation. Fifty of the largest business firms have abandoned their stores entirely and are prepared to seek a place of safety if the worst occurs It is estimated that the property damaged already in the city and surrounding country amounts to millions of dollars

The Flood at Other Points.

Durand, Wis, Dec 2 —The ice gorge below this city has forced the water almost to the point touched by the great flood of 1884. The cellars are filled and the lower streets are covered with water Packed ice has filled in to a point a mile above the city The gorge has broken below Round Bill and the river is falling rapidly there Should the Chippewa Falls gorge break, Durant will be in great danger, as the bluffs at Round Bill will hold the gorge there.

Victim of the Homestead Poisoning

Pittsburg, Dec. 2.—George F. Lepper, formerly employed as a clerk by the Carnegie Steel company at Homestead, was buried yesterday afternoon from his home, Garrison and Overlook streets, Allegheny. He died on Sunday from a complication of diseases that originated from poison administered to him during the famous riots at Homestead in 1892. When the strike occurred Lepper was employed in the mill office, and took his meals at one of the company restaurants. He claimed he was poisoned with drugged coffee intended for the non-unionists For three years he was in constant misery. The last seven months of his life was spent in bed. He was 26 years old.

Fort Chesne Mine Fire Extinguished.

St. Louis, Dec. 2 —President Gilson, of the Asp Co, received word that the fire which has been raging in the mines of the company near Fort Chesne, Utah, had been extinguished. Preparations are being made to recover the bodies of the dead miners.

Train Collides with Fire Engine.

Everett, Mass, Dec. 2 —A fire engine running to a fire this morning crossed the Boston and Maine railroad tracks and was struck by a locomotive and carried a hundred feet down the track. Two firemen were killed.

Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Dec. 2 —The Illinois Central has just closed a deal for the purchase of additional rights of way in this city. This not only increases the terminal facilities locally, but would seem to foreshadow a probable southwestern extension from this point

Official Vote of Wisconsin.

Madison, Wis., Dec 2 —The official canvass of the late election shows McKinley carried the state by 102,612. The next legislature will be almost solidly Republican.

President Diaz Inaugurated.

City of Mexico, Dec. 2.—General Diaz [illegible]

DEATH OF AARON BRICKER

An Old Resident of Friends Creek Township Passes Away at the Age of 77 Years.

Aaron Bricker, a well known citizen of Friends' Creek township, died of pneumonia at the family residence, three and one half miles northwest of Argenta Tuesday night. He took sick Nov 3, election day, and grew steadily worse, notwithstanding the efforts of the physicians, until death relieved him of his sufferings, which were intense. Deceased was one of the most widely known citizens of that part of the county, having settled there in 1865. He came from the sturdy Pennsylvania stock, which hesitated at no obstacles in the early settlement of this and other portions of the west, and formed an important factor in the development of the new country. He was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, Oct. 31, 1819, and at the age of 12 years moved to Coschocton, Ohio, and from there in 1858 to Fayette county, Illinois From Fayette county he removed in 1863 to Piatt county, settling near Bement, and in 1865 he came to Macon county, settling on the farm which has since been his home. He was married Nov. 7, 1844, to Miss Louisa Darling, and ten children were the result of this union. Last Friday the wires brought the sad news form Spokane, Wash., that Mrs. Belle Acuff, the eldest of the children, had preceded her father to the spirit land. The faithful wife who helped fight all the battles with which the early settlers were only too well acquainted, died on the 23rd of April, 1894. The nine children remaining are as follows: Mrs. Kate Flood of Stuttgart, Ark., Newton Bricker of Argenta, Marion B., Sedan, Kansas; Lewis E. Bricker of Argenta, Mrs. Florence Crosley of Decatur, John A. Bricker of Argenta, Mrs Hala Trainer of Bethany, Ill., Mrs. Ida Crawford of Forsythe, and Mrs. Mollie Nicholls of Blue Mound. All the children were present during the last hours of life, except Marion B., of Sedan, Kan., and Mrs. Acuff, whose death at Spokane, Wash., is noted above. Deceased has three brothers living and one dead, and two sisters dead. There are twenty-two grandchildren.

The funeral services will be held at 1 p m. Thursday. The interment will be in the Macon cemetery

Thus closes a life which has been full of activity. Blest with unusually good health he scarcely knew what it was to be sick, until this last fatal illness came upon him He has been a kind and indulgent husband and father and a respected and progressive citizen. Politically he has been a life long Republican, and his last act before he was taken sick was to cast a ballot for McKinley and Hobart As a farmer and stock raiser he has been very successful and by patient industry and business methods he early laid the foundation for later prosperity.

DECISION IN DEARCY CASE.

Partition of 55,000 Acres Made After a Long Litigation.

Judge Shirley has handed down his decision in the long litigation at Taylorville over the E. A. Dearcy estate, in the case of N D. Ricks, W. M. Province and G. E. Maxon, against P. D. Cheney and others. The suit is for partition of 5500 acres, worth $250,000. The estate was originally left to the two daughters of Dearcy, Catherine, who married Cheney, and Caroline, who married a Mr. Tesse The latter died and the widow sold her share to Ricks and others. When Mrs. Cheney died in 1877 her husband presented a claim for 1900 additional acres on an alleged agreement with Dearcy made in 1863. This was contested and the complainants assert the terms of the will supersede the alleged agreement. Judge Shirley has agreed with this view and orders the land to be partitioned with two-fifths to Ricks and three-fifths to Cheney. The case will be taken to the supreme court.

Chairman Hanna's Visit to Chicago.

Cleveland, Dec. 2.—Chairman Hanna will return from Canton this afternoon and start for Washington Friday. While Hanna ostensibly went to Canton to talk over inauguration plans with the president it is generally known among friends in Cleveland that the real object was to discuss the cabinet, and that when he returned it will practically have been decided on. In addition to this Hanna will take to Washington McKinley's expressed views in regard to immediate legislation with especial reference to the Dingley bill.

Obituary.

Ellen S. Emery, daughter of Joseph W. and Frances R Emery, was born in Upton, Mass., August 30, 1842; she came to Illinois with her father in September, 1856, and located in Austin township, where she lived until her death, which occurred at 1 o'clock a. m., November 25, 1896, aged 54 years, 2 months and 26 days. The interment was at the family burying ground on the farm where she had lived so long. She leaves to mourn her loss two brothers and one sister: Clarence F., with whom she has made her home since her father's death in 1882, Charles, who resides in Oakland, Cal., Betsy, wife of H. S Balcom, a resident of Grand Island, Nebraska; besides many friends in the community.

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Kansas in Disrepute.

Emporia (Kas.) Gazette: These filed through the streets of this town banners calling the men who have lent money on the farms of this country "shylocks." A banner went down Commercial street on two separate occasions and was cheered by the people, on which was written, "Abolish interest and you will abolish poverty," and when the Gazette again called attention to the fact that the civilized world called that sort of thing anarchy and lunacy the only answer to the warning of the Gazette that Kansas was being ruined by these things was the taunt of "Silly Willy." The Gazette again and again said that as sure as Kansas went back to Populism and continued its fight against capital, just so sure would population and capital avoid the state and the people of the civilized world would point a scornful finger at us. The only heed these poor, deluded partisans gave to the warning was to draw a picture of the Gazette as a jackass and put it in the Populist procession. Again and again this paper has demonstrated that the nation was going to stand up for honest money; that to be in line with the best thought of the nation, to get in touch with the potent forces of civilization, it was necessary for Kansas to declare strongly for those things which the world believes in. This paper warned the people of Emporia and Lyon county that they would being shame and disgrace on Kansas by declaring against capital by waring with the money lender, by indorsing the men who carried the incendiary banners.

The Gazette and in fact all Republican newspapers united in telling the Populists that a Populist triumph this year would be construed by the world as a return to Llewellingism, as an invitation for the tramps to come back and camp on the capitol grounds. The only answer to these warnings on the part of the Populists was a laugh of defiance. The newspapers went further—they said that Kansas would be ruined by a Populist victory; they pleaded earnestly and even passionately with the people not to ruin Kansas, not to continue to drive population and capital away from the state; the Republicans pointed to the loss of population and capital and standing in the nation and said: "For God's sake and for the sake of Kansas, whom we love, stop this awful crime you are contemplating." Their answer was a jeer.

And now, after all these warnings, after these pleadings for the honor and good name of Kansas, the Populists and their friends look on the ruin they have wrought and try to shift the blame. They declare Kansas is ruined. That is apparent. She is a byword all over the east. Her name is dishonored, and men and women who love the state and who are stricken with sorrow and their warnings were not heeded—they are told by the despoilers that the Republicans ruined Kansas.

O, the pity of it, the shame of it!

And now they say—do our Populist friends—that we must not admit that Populism is a curse. They say that we must "stand up for Kansas and Populism," that we must tell the world—we Republicans—that Populism is right; that we must uphold Mrs. Lease; that we must say that Peffer's silk money is all right; that we must declare that Jerry Simpson, "the old fashioned flat money lunatic," is the best kind of a man. They say that we must stand up for Kansas and declare that when Kansas incurred the world's scorn she did a good and honest thing. God forbid! It is the duty of Republicans in Kansas and the world over to declare in no uncertain tones that the disgrace which the honest, sane business world has put upon Kansas is the logical result of the reindorsement of Simpson, of Lewelling, who is in the senate, of Mrs. Lease, of Doster, of socialism, and the banner about "shylocks." It is the duty of Republicans to call the attention of their Populist friends and neighbors to the plight in which Populism has thrown Kansas. We may as well admit it. The air of the world is full of it. There would be more sense in shutting our eyes to the sunlight and declaring that there is no sun than to ignore the awful fact that by the indorsement of Pefferism and Simpson and dishonest finance Kansas is in disrepute.

The free traders, when they were attacking protection, charged that the duty on wool and woolens compelled manufacturers to use shoddy goods in the manufacture of cloth and thus swindle the consumer and exposed the wearer to the germs of disease that might lurk in the shoddy. Since the passage of the Wilson low tariff bill which put wool on the free list, reduced the duty on woolens, and reduced the duty on shoddy one half, 50,000,000 pounds of shoddy has been imported and used in this country in the manufacture of cloth yearly. This is an outrage upon our people and a Republican congress will correct this outrage

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The most sensible and correct thing Corbett has recently uttered was that football playing was more brutal than scientific boxing or prize fighting. He is so thoroughly convinced of the correctness of his statement that he offers to demonstrate its truth in a fight in New York between himself and Fitzsimmons.

Weyler has now resorted to a general slaughter of Cuban women and children. If President McKinley does not find excuse for putting an embargo upon such inexcusable warfare we mistake the man.

Football will be one of the subjects the state legislatures will tackle this winter.

SCHOOL AND CHURCH.

—An English vicar has been sent to jail for a year at Birmingham for contempt of court.

—A Yorkshire vicar who quarreled with the squire of the parish has been put under a boycott by the latter. He can obtain neither food nor lodging in the village, the shopkeepers refuse to sell him their wares, and he is obliged to clean the church, light the lamps and ring the bells himself.

—According to recent statistics of the Presbyterian church baptism has relatively decreased very largely in the past 25 years. During that period the membership of the church has grown 110 per cent., the number of adult baptisms 133 per cent., while the number of infant baptisms has increased less than 73 per cent.

—All students of missions know that the Moravians far excel all other bodies of Christians in their devotion to the cause of missions. The Friends are credited with the second place in honor, and it is said that in proportion to their numbers they send more missionaries to the foreign field than any other denomination. In Great Britain about one in 250 of the whole membership, or one in 166 of the adult members, is a missionary.

—The forty-third general congress of the Roman Catholics of Germany, held at Berlin, passed a number of significant resolutions, among them one warning German Catholics against coming to America under the present economic conditions; one condemning the practice of dueling among the officers of the army and navy; one deploring the fact that no Christian power has effectually espoused the cause of the Armenians; one opposing the employment of married women in factories, and another advocating the repeal of the anti Jesuit law.

—At the recent general Methodist conference at Corning several good stories were told, and one that caused more than ordinary amusement was related as follows: Three ministers were interpreting the meaning of the text "David danced before the ark of the Lord." The first minister said anyone ought to know what that meant. It meant that David danced while facing the ark of the Lord. The second minister said David danced before instead of behind the ark, and the third said that it simply meant that David danced before the ark danced.

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None of us live natural lives. We eat too much and are careless about our health. Abused nature finally revolts. The rebellion is slight at first, but it grows. Occasional constipation becomes chronic. Bowels won't work. Stomach gets sour and generates gas. Liver gets full of bile. Bile gets into the blood. Headaches come, dizziness, loss of appetite, loss of sleep, foul breath, distress after eating—and all because Nature did not have the little help she needed.

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Men's Good Heavy Wool Socks at 15c, 20c, 25c pair

10 dozen Ear Muffs, 3c pair.

See our Record Breaker in Boys' Bicycle Hose, size 6 to 8½, 2 pair for 25c.

Children's Heavy Seamless Wool Hose, size 6½ to 9, goods that sell everywhere but here at 25c, our price 15c a pair straight.

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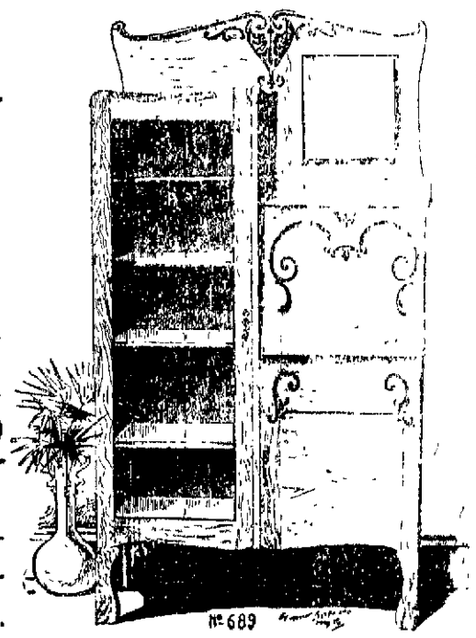

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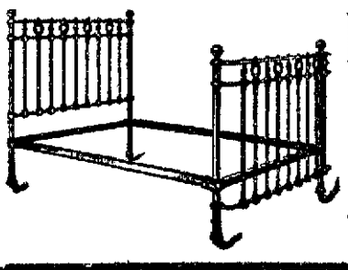

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LOCAL NEWS.

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Little Diana cigar; business men's ideal smoke; 5 for 10 cents; 100 for $1.50. L. Chodat's News House.—14-dtf

See the popular Haines and Reed & Son's pianos at the C. B. Prescott music house They are beauties, every one, and sell at low prices on easy terms

The uptown office of the Decatur Coal company is at Armstrong Bros.' drug store corner of North Main and William streets Telephone 452.—oct8-dtf

Gents, have your winter suit or overcoat dyed, cleaned or repaired at Miller's Steam Dye House, 145 North Main street.

Just before going to bed eat a Cascaret candy cathartic. Makes you feel fine in the morning.

There were 300 skaters on the Whitmer lake yesterday afternoon. The lake is three blocks long and one block wide

Mama eats a Cascaret, baby gets the benefit. Cascarets make mother's milk mildly purgative.

H. C Wheeler, teacher of the Oakley school, is seriously ill with lung fever, with indications of merging into typhoid fever. He has been confined to his bed since last Wednesday. Dr Ellis is attending him.

The Princes of the Orient will meet Dec 9, one week from tonight. There will be a number of pilgrims to make the journey Those who have not obtained the new pass word should do so before Jan. 1, or they will have to stand extra expense.

The fire department of Champaign will petition the city council to discontinue the ringing of Curfew bell at 9 p. m The reason is that this signal interferes seriously with the effectiveness of the bell as a fire alarm. The ordinance is a dead letter except as to ringing the bell.

The musical culture club will have an open meeting on Thursday night at the residence of O B Gorin on West Prairie avenue. An excellent program will be given and a number of the friends of the club have been invited to attend The affair promises to be the most enjoyable musical event of the season

No better soft coal in this market than Lincoln or Riverton. Lincoln is the hardest of any coal within 100 miles of Decatur and the harder the coal the longer it will burn Hard coal all sizes, always in stock at market price Uptown office Irwin's drug store, office and yard 800 North Broadway, old phone 438, new phone 185. M. F Metz.—21d-tf

No doubt is entertained that this winter several states will enact laws fixing the maximum passenger fare at 2 cents a mile. Some of the railroad officials pretend to have no objection to such laws, provided the minimum rate as well as the maximum rate is fixed at 2 cents a mile, and railroads prohibited from granting mileage or special tickets of any kind, or making any other concessions to special classes. Summer convention rates would be heard of no more.

An Old Game.

An old confidence game is being worked by two smooth strangers. The men are evidently seeking only small game, but they are undoubtedly plying their vocation assiduously, as both are described as being well dressed and having the appearance of prosperity.

One of the stangers steps into a store and makes a small purchase. When he goes into the store he is adjusting his cuffs, and accidentally drops one of the buttons on the floor. A search is instituted for the lost button, but without success The man seems considerably perturbed over the occurrence, and tells the proprietor the pair was a gift from his mother, who had recently died. He said that while the button was probably of little intrinsic worth, it was valued very highly by him. Another search is made in which the proprietor joins, but this fails to disclose where the button had lodged. The stranger then tells the storekeeper that he will give $10 for the button in case it is recovered, and says he will call later to learn if it has been found. A few minutes after the man has passed out of the place another man walks in and while making a small purchase stoops down and picks up the button from the floor The proprietor of the place informs the man that the button belongs to the one who has just stepped out, and asks him to leave it at the store for the owner who will return. This the man refuses to do, stating that he intends holding it for a reward, as the owner will probably advertise for it The proprietor, with visions in his mind of the $10 the owner of the button has offered for its recovery, then makes a proposition to purchase the button from the finder and a bargain is [illegible] the former paying $5 for it. [illegible] yards finds he has paid

WILL HAVE A NEW HOME.

The Manager of the Anna B. Millikin Home Will Raise a Fund to Purchase New Quarters.

The regular monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Anna B. Millikin Home was held yesterday at the home of Mrs. W. F. Busher on West Macon street. The most important matter brought up was that of securing a new building for the home. The house where the home is at present located is much too small for the demand There is not room for many persons who would otherwise be admitted. The ladies have decided to give a dinner and supper on December 15 in the building formerly occupied by the Linn & Scruggs store. Besides serving meals a home talent minstrel show will be given in the evening The proceeds of the entertainment will be laid aside to start the fund for the new building.

At the morning meeting the different committees who had visited the home during the month reported that the place was in an excellent condition. There are now 21 inmates, nine of whom are old ladies. During the month there has been a large number of donations in the shape of edibles, clothing and Thanksgiving day presents. Among those who made presentations to the home were Mrs. Palmer, Mrs Allison, Josiah Green, Mrs W. F. Busher, Mrs. Will Hellman, Mrs F. L Strohm, A. Bauer, Mrs W. A Waldorf, Mrs. W. M. Catto, and the ladies of the Eastern Star. The members of the Marietta street school made a large donation. Last Wednesday afternoon the pupils of the new Oakland school held an entertainment for the benefit of the home. All kinds of vegetables and fruits were sent to the matron besides a Thanksgiving turkey Mrs. J. W. Race made a Thanksgiving present of money to each inmate

OF INTEREST TO TEACHERS.

Action Taken as to Educational Certificates.

At a meeting of the Rock Island Teachers' association of 200 members held in Moline a few days ago important action was taken with reference to a proposed change in the school law regarding teachers' certificates to be submitted to the legislature this winter. The gist of the move made by the association is embodied in the following resolution introduced by Superintendent H. M. Slauson of Moline, and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, 1. That it is the sense of this association that the perennial examination of teachers in the same branches and on the same portions of these branches is dwarfing in its effects.

2 That in our behalf the holders of first grade certificates should, if subjected to annual examinations, be called upon to pass tests in a single branch chosen for its professional and culture value, and changed from year to year.

3. That if introduced in this way, we would favor the addition of civics to the requirements for all certificates and of algebra to the requirements for first grade certificates

PRESBYTERIAN MONTHLY TOPIC.

Monthly Missionary Concerts for the Next Year.

What is known in Presbyterian circles as monthly missionary concerts are held in all churches of that denomination throughout the United States on one evening of each month. These meetings are in the interest of the missionary cause both home and foreign, and for the ensuing year the following topics have been arranged January, "The Bible and Foreign Missions;" February, "Evangelistic Missionary Work;" March, "Missionary Administration;" April, "Native Christians;" May, "Women's Work," June, "Foreign Missionaries," August, "The Reflex Influence of Foreign Missions." September, "Missionary Schools;" October, "Medical Missions;" November, "Influence of Christianity on the Social Life and Civic Institutions of Heathen Lands;" December, "The Home Church and Foreign Missions"

A. T. Gordon's Motto.

"An up-to-date entertainment at down-to-date prices" is the motto which governs A. T. Gordon, whose Bigger Comedy Co. will play a three nights' engagement at the Grand opera house, commencing Thursday, Dec 3. And a careful observance of this has given him a reputation with show-going people which is the envy of many a manager. Gordon's show is always a good one, and the prices are always within the reach of everyone. This year he has outdone former efforts and brings his company to our city bigger, better, brighter than ever. The engagement commences tomorrow night and includes a special matinee for school children Saturday afternoon, and on Thursday night ladies will be admitted free with each paid 30 cent ticket. "Right" prices every night, 10c, 20, 30c—no higher. Better attend.

Working on a Theory.

Springfield News: A prominent physician of Springfield, who, for reasons best known to himself will not allow his name to be used or give any information on the subject, is working to find out whether or not a pistol shot will leave powder marks on the face when held in the hand of a would-be suicide. It is thought that he is working in the interest of the recent Miller case. After a series of exhaustive tests this morning it was found that a 38-calibre pistol would burn a sheet of white paper held anywhere within a distance of eighteen inches. It is thought that the family of the dead minister will make a fight for the insurance, on the supposition that Miller could not have shot himself without leaving the marks of the powder on his face.

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Harry Decker Still in Jail.

The Peoria Herald makes this comment on Decatur's former base ball manager:

Harry Decker, the base ball manager and smooth man who made Ed Calligan believe that a worthless check which he passed him had been signed by Charley Barston, still entertains hopes of securing his liberty. In the circuit court he cleared himself of the charge of forgery on a clever technicality and was immediately arrested on a charge of playing the confidence game. In the police court he contended that he could not be tried twice for the same offense and while they had called the charge by another name it was really one and the same transaction. The court, however, held otherwise, and held him to await the action of the grand jury and in default of bail he was returned to the county jail Now he threatens to apply for his release on a writ of habeas corpus and, having been signally successful in clearing himself of the charge of forgery, it is confident that he knows enough of law to quash the other charge if he can get it before the proper tribunal.

The Electors

The law of 1792 as to presidential electors made it the duty of the electors to meet on the first Wednesday in December. It was amended in 1887 and the time of meeting changed to the second Monday in the month of January following. The second Monday in 1897 falls on the 11th of the month of January, and the electors will meet at that time. A letter from Chairman Hitch, of the Republican state central committee, confirms this statement.

The legislature of Illinois has directed that the meeting shall be held at the capitol. Under the state law our presidential electors are allowed $3 for every twenty miles to and from the capitol, as compensation in full for their services. Originally it was intended that these electors should after due deliberation cast their votes for president and vice president selecting the men for these two high offices who in their judgment were best fitted to fill the positions. But the machinery of politics now makes the selection of candidates before the electors are chosen, and any elector would be considered false to his implied pledge and a traitor to his party if he should cast his vote for any other than the nominees of his party.

The result of the electors' action by states is delivered by messengers to the vice president, and in February the returns are opened and the result declared in the house.

In Memoriam.

At the meeting of the senior class at the high school these resolutions were submitted by the committee and adopted

Whereas, It has pleased the divine Providence in His far seeing wisdom to take from our midst our beloved friend and classmate, Clarence Eberly, and

Whereas, We mourn his loss since he was esteemed by us, because of his worthy character and uncommon abilities as a student, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the members of the class of '97, extend to the sorrowing family our heartfelt sympathy, and further be it

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, the High School Observer and the daily papers.

Wayne C. Williams,
Fred Neidermyer,
Ira Clokey.

Following are the resolutions adopted by the faculty in memory of Clarence Eberly

Whereas, It has pleased God in His wisdom to remove from us, Clarence Eberly, be it

Resolved, That we, the faculty of the high school, feel that we have lost one whom we loved; one whose genial face, gentle ways, earnest and faithful work, will leave behind sweet and tender memories of a young life gone. Be it further

Resolved, That our tender sympathy be extended to the mother and father brother and sister in their sorrow for this loved one.

The committee includes Mary French, Flora Elsie Hill, Ina C Elder and Jacob H. Coonradt.

Society Officers Elected.

At the meeting of the societies named held last night, officers were elected as follows.

Chevalier Bayard K. P.

Chancellor Commander—A. L. McNabb.
Vice Chancellor—L. F. Shelley.
Prelate—Neal Dew.
Keeper of Records and Seals—George S. Connard.
Master of Finance—R. E. Panier.
Master of Exchequer—T. A. Stecher.
Master at Arms—G. F. Quimby.
Inner Guard—C. F. Stout.
Outer Guard—Henry Lichtenberger.
Trustee—John E. King.

After the election the newly elected officers and the members of the lodge repaired to Harry Snarr's restaurant where they enjoyed an oyster supper.

Macon Chapter.

Macon Chapter, No. 21, R. A. M., met last night and elected officers for the ensuing year, as follows:

High Priest—C. L. Hovey.
King—Charles Lindsay.
Scribe—H. W Bell.
Principal Sojourner—J. W. Graves.
Royal Arch Captain—H. Bachrach.
Master of the First Veil—W. J Moses
Master of the Second Veil—J. S. Sampson.
Master of the Third Veil—L. L. Underwood.
Secretary—Theodore Coleman.
Treasurer—G. W. Bright.

Camp 14, Sons of Veterans.

Captain—J. M. Wood.
First Lieutenant—J. W. Allen.
Second Lieutenant—J. R. Smith.
Camp council—J. R. Smith, J. W.

MILITARY RECEPTION AND BALL.

Farewell Affair in Honor of Lieut. T. O. Loveland.

A large company of invited guests gathered at Guards' Armory last night to participate in the farewell reception and ball given in honor of Lieutenant T. O Loveland who with his family will go to Iowa City, Iowa, to reside The members of Co. H, I. N. G., with Captain Cassell and Col. F. P. Wells were the hosts. The reception committee was made up of Sergeant Joseph L Hedrick, Corporal Leo Frankel, Corporal Will Heiner and George Barney. The decorations were very tasteful, being a pretty arrangement of flags and palms There were over fifty couples present and all had a very enjoyable time dancing to the music of the opera house orchestra. Those who preferred to do so amused themselves at the card tables in the armory parlors Lieutenant Loveland has been one of the most efficient officers of Co H and all of the Guards regret that he is to leave the organization and the city. The success of the ball last night which was confined strictly to those invited, demonstrated that the guards can arrange and conduct swell social events, and it is probable that other parties will be given during the winter.

DECATUR BOY IN THE EAST.

Rev. "Icy" Kaufman Now at Providence, Rhode Island.

The Republican is in receipt of a recent issue of the Evening Telegram, Providence, R. I, which contains a copy of the elaborate program to be observed in that city on Dec. 4, at the dedication of the Mathewson street Methodist church of which Rev. M S. Kaufman, formerly of Decatur, is the popular pastor. The dedication exercises will begin Dec 4, and end Dec. 13 Bishop Fowler, Rev J. H Coleman of Albany, N. Y, Bishop Foster, Bishop Mallalieu, Rev. William Nast of Charleston, Mass., Rev. G. K Morris of Boston, and other notables are to take part in the exercises.

The lot on which the new church is erected cost $55,000. The church cost $80,000. Rev. Mr. Kaufman is a son of the late Joseph Kaufman, and was born in Decatur. He went to school here and graduated from the Northwestern University at Evanston.

THE NEXT GOVERNOR

Mr. Hitch Appoints an Executive Committee for Tanner's Inauguration.

Hon Charles P Hitch, of Paris, chairman of the Republican state central committee, was in Springfield yesterday consulting with Chairman J Otis Humphrey of the county committee in regard to the coming inauguration of Governor elect John R. Tanner next month. The following executive committee was appointed by Chairman Hitch with power to appoint sub committees: J. Otis Humphrey, chairman, J A. B. Van Cleve, Chicago, Charles S. Rannells, Jacksonville J R. Smith, Taylorville, General Jasper N. Reece, Wm. Barrett Ridgely and J H Paddock, Springfield.

THE HILLSBORO HORROR

Robert W. Young on Trial for His Life the Second Time.

The trial of Robert W. Young for the murder of his wife and daughter, is in progress in the circuit court at Hillsboro. The attorneys are engaged in securing a jury. Over 200 men have been examined Ex-Governor C. P. Johnson of St. Louis, who is an attorney in the celebrated Dunstrow murder case, is defending Young

The Nancy Hanks To-Night

"The Nancy Hanks," a brand new farce comedy from the pen of Frank Tannehill, Jr, will be given its first production in this city. It is not a racing play, as its title might indicate, for the Nancy Hanks referred to is not a horse, but a gold mine, or rather a mine that has been "salted" by unscrupulous persons, and palmed off as a rich ore producer upon a speculative Frenchman, on whose wonderfully amusing and complicated adventures the plot hinges. The Martinetti Tannehill Comedy company, which will present "The Nancy Hanks," promises to make considerable stir in the dramatic field, is headed by Ignacio Martinetti, the talented young comedian, whose remarkable role as Zou-Zou in "Trilby" last season is so well remembered. Frank Tannehill, Jr, is another famous member of the company, and Anna Boyd, she of entrancing figure, who is so well known as the widow in "A Trip to Chinatown" is another. Others of equal fame are Louise Muldiner, Carrie Radcliffe, Thomas H. Burns, Lillian Florence Wilkes, Edward Mowry and Lillian Deane The company's ranks include many beautiful girls and magnificent scenery will characterize the production. Seats now on sale. At Powers Grand opera house tonight.

At Maroa and Clinton.

A called meeting of the presbytery will be held at the Presbyterian church at Maroa Thursday evening, beginning at 7:30 The meeting will be held for the purpose of installing Rev. J. C. Hanna. Rev. Mr Hanna of Springfield, will preach the installation sermon Rev Mr. Hunter of Clinton, will give the charge to the pastor and Rev. Mr. Penhallegon, of Decatur will give the charge to the people.

Rev. J. C. Rucker of Clinton, who is a superanuated Methodist minister, has deeded to the Preachers' Aid society of Illinois his property in DeWitt county, valued at more than $5000 Rev. Mr. Rucker retains the use of the property during his lifetime

Warde in King Lear.

Frederick Warde, the well known tragedian comes to the opera house next Monday night in Shakespeare's great tragedy "[illegible]

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PUZZLES TO THE MIND.

Polar Exploration, Aerial Navigation and the Sea Serpent Unsolved.

There are three things like unto the poor, in that they are always with us. These are the imminent discovery of the north pole, the capture of the sea serpent and the invention of a flying machine that will fly. Without doubt the newspapers of a hundred years hence will chronicle the consummation of each of these dreams as frequently as the newspapers of to-day, and without doubt the citizen of that day will be as reluctant to yield his belief in those announcements as the citizen of to-day. Less than four months ago the wires flashed the news from the far north that Dr. Nansen had reached the pole and was on his way home to tell us about it. Now it is made known that the report was unfounded. Nansen had been heard from, and he, with his stanch boat, the Fram, reached latitude 86 degrees 14 minutes, a point 190 miles farther north than any arctic explorer has heretofore penetrated. But the pole remains in austere seclusion and resolutely refuses to be discovered. Doubtless this is for the best. Once discovered interest in it will languish and die. Undiscovered it remains a goal for expeditions rife with adventure and rich in interest. Even as news comes of Nansen's return we learn of the northward progress of Andree and his balloon. Is it to be supposed that this hardy Norseman would have essayed so hazardous a flight in search of something already discovered? We hope he will go quite as far north as Nansen did and perhaps a few minutes farther, and that he will return as safely, but we believe his actual discovery of the pole would leave the world poorer instead of richer.

For like reasons we applaud the sea serpent for his efforts to preserve the mystery that now obscures him. Let him be seen as often as he will by prominent citizens of seaboard towns and veracious skippers. Let him raise his barrel-shaped head high out of the water, and trail his frightful length of vertebrae defiantly before the eyes of unbelievers, but we warn him now that his prestige will depart if he ever allows himself to be taken. That prestige rests almost entirely upon his half-mythical character. His capture, too, would be a distinct loss to the world. We should no longer feel that electric thrill of wonder in reading of his appearance. From being a star attraction with power over the emotions of fear and credulity, he would become a contemptibly familiar attraction at museums, aquariums and the like.

As for flying machines, they are become distressingly common—and yet they retain their hold upon the public mind, because they refuse to fly. The efforts of trained scientists have been little more satisfactory than those of Darius Green. Yet the struggle goes on, because so little seems impossible in this age. It is nearly time for grandfathers to say: "Why, I can remember when you couldn't see through a stone wall!" And why should a man despair of flying? Otto Lilienthal, a German engineer, lost his life last month while experimenting with a flying machine of his own invention. The trouble was that his device really did fly. It is to be said for his brother inventors that they rarely approach closely enough to success to endanger life or limb. In the main their diversion is quite harmless. And the world will go on expecting them to succeed, but the world would lose a pleasant subject of wonder and speculation if they did.

The north pole, the sea serpent and the flying machine are baits for genius which we can hardly spare.—St. Louis Republic.

AMERICAN SOCIETY.

This Writer Says That We Have Very Little of It.

We have no great landholders and there is no popular recognition of the fact that a great landowner or great man of any sort needs a great house. In the second place, we have no capital to draw on for a large company of men and women who will amuse each other in a social way, even from Friday to Monday. The absence of anything we can call society—that is, the union of wealth and culture in the same persons—in all the large American cities, except possibly Boston, is one of the marked and remarkable features of our time. It is, therefore, naturally what one might expect that we rarely hear of Americans figuring in cultivated circles in England. Those who go there with social aspirations desire most to get into what is called the prince of Wales' set, in which their national peculiarities furnish great amusement among a class of people to whom amusement is the main thing.

It would be easy enough to fill 40 or 50 rooms from Friday to Monday in a house near New York or Boston. But what kind of company would it be? How many of the guests would have anything to say to each other? Suppose stocks to be ruled out, where would the topics of conversation be found? Would there be much to talk about except the size of the host's fortune and that of some other persons present? How many of the men would wish to sit with the ladies in the evening and participate with them in conversation? Would the host attempt two such gatherings without abandoning his efforts in disgust, selling out the whole concern and going to Europe?—E. L. Godkin, in Scribner's.

Victimized.

Miss—I'll drown my sorrows in drink.

MEASURING THE EARTH.

Trying to Determine the Exact Shape of the Planet on Which We Live.

An arc 3,000 miles in length, which has been in process of measurement by triangulation for a period of over 30 years, showing the curvature of the earth's surface on this hemisphere, was lately completed by the United States coast and geodetic survey. Although it is the most gigantic feat of geodetic surveying ever accomplished anywhere in the world, no public announcement of its completion has heretofore been made.

The enterprise was inaugurated by President Jefferson in 1807, but no active progress in pushing it was recorded for many years later. Since 1874 several parties of civil engineers have been at work almost steadily between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts making the triangulations for the big arc, under the direct supervision of the different coast and geodetic survey superintendents. These earth measurers worked in general line toward one another from both sides of the continent. About the middle of the month the two base lines from which the closing calculations have been made were verified. One was drawn in the state of Kansas, and the other in Salt Lake valley, Utah.

"It is extremely difficult to give in an interview anything like a comprehensive and intelligible account of the work the United States coast and geodetic survey has just completed in this section of the United States," explained Engineer Welker. "The general purpose in measuring an arc across the American continent is, primarily, to get the true curvature of the earth on this hemisphere. An accurate survey, something that was never before reached, is also desired. Surveys are generally made on the basis that the surface of the earth is flat.

"This country is cooperating with all the other civilized countries for the common purpose of getting a new figure of the earth established. This figure will be an approximately true one, and is to supersede the figure now in general use, Bessel's ellipsoid, the first figure of the earth used by scientists, was established from data collected by the Germans. The next ellipsoid—the one now accepted—was established, I think, by Clarke, an Englishman.

"In 1874 an international agreement was reached among the civilized nations to take measurements for another ellipsoid, one that will be practically true. Every government of consequence in the world has since been engaged in measuring out an arc on the surface of the globe. The arc in this country is the longest measured by any one nation. It is 3,000 miles in length.

"All surveys in this country are to be corrected by the arc measured out from the Atlantic to the Pacific. The ordinary surveys are inaccurate, as the surveying engineers do not allow for the curvature of the earth. In surveying a state, say, they measure from county to county, allowing for a flat surface, and the consequence is that the surveys thus made overlap each other.

"There have been a large number of engineering parties employed on the American arc from time to time. William Eimbeck, whom I joined in Salt Lake valley last summer, has recently had general charge of the triangulation operations from the Pacific coast to the Rocky mountains. Engineer Grainger finished up the work on the Kansas base line.

"Two years ago the connections between the eastern and western parties of engineers were made at Mount Elbert and Ouray. I was up there then, using the heliograph in getting the measurements among the mountains. By this system of sun flashing much better work can be done in a mountainous country than on the plains, as we get longer lines.

"A longer arc than ours is the one measured conjointly by England, Germany and Russia. These countries combined on one arc, and France and Spain on another. The English have also done a good deal of triangulation measuring in India. As I said before, all the important nations have been engaged in the work.

"It will probably be a year before the calculations are all completed and a true figure of the earth established. The arc in this country will be combined with all the others established over the globe, and the mean curvature of the earth's surface thus obtained. It is expected that the triangulation calculations, combined with the use of the pendulum, will give us the length of the earth's diameter, to a degree of accuracy within a possible difference of 50 feet from the exact diameter.

"In taking measurements here we first strike a straight line of from five to seven miles in length. This is our base line. From this base the engineers then spread out with triangles and quadrilaterals so as to reach lines of 25 miles. From those figures we spread out into lines running from 100 to 190 miles in length, using the ordinary method of mathematical calculation."

In connection with the work of triangulation just finished, another party of coast and geodetic survey engineers have been engaged in running a line of levels across the American continent. This latter is being done for the purpose of accurately establishing altitudes. These had heretofore been fixed chiefly by the railroad companies. The line of levels will run from Sandy Hook, N. Y., to San Francisco. It took over 30 years' work in making tide observations on the Atlantic and Pacific to get true sea levels as a preliminary to the altitude survey. The line of levels has reached Kansas from the New York end, where operations on it were suspended about two months ago.—Denver Republican.

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The new rifle range at Tonty, above Peoria, is nearly finished. It has been constructed by the Peoria military boys.

GATHERING RUBBER IN AFRICA.

A Woman Missionary Tells How the Natives Collect It.

In the months of March and April during the rainy season one sees busy life in the native towns of the French Congo. The men are preparing to go to the bush to cut rubber. Every woman and child seems to have something to do, and even the men do not lounge about as usual, but are sharpening their knives and machetes and putting their guns into proper trim. The women are digging cassava, and some of them are washing it and preparing chiguanga or native bread. Others are cleaning the cassava with knives and tying it into mattets made from palm leaves. This kind of cassava is roasted over the fire and eaten warm, while the bread is eaten cold and is mostly used on the road. The men carry their guns so they may kill the game which abounds in the forest.

When all is ready a drunken carousal and dance are given the night before the start by way of saying farewell to the villagers left at home. Sometimes a good place with plenty of rubber plants is found after a march of two or three days, but often the journey takes a week or more. In this case the men keep carriers on the road with food for them, because there is nothing to be had in these parts with the exception of game.

The rubber in central Africa is not a tree, but a vine, often three or four inches in diameter. This vine generally climbs up the tallest trees, and the natives often use one of the vines to ascend the tree. After the branches are reached, which in most cases are at least 50 feet from the ground, the men proceed to cut the vines away at the top, leaving only one for their descent, and this one, if possible, not a rubber vine. It seems strange that the natives cut away the rubber plants and so destroy them instead of tapping them, but they are too lazy to learn any other way.

After the vines have fallen they are cut into lengths of three or four feet, and the juice is collected into iron pots. This is a tedious job. The piece of the vine is held over the pot, first by one end, then by the other until the juice ceases running. Then the piece is cut again to get at any juice which may have been left in the middle. After a pot is nearly full a rest is taken, and this juice is boiled for nearly two hours, and, during the boiling process, is mixed with the juice of other vines and some lime juice, so that the mixture is more sticky and easier formed into balls.

As soon as it cools down sufficiently to be handled the hardening rubber is shaped by winding it at first around a stick. After a bit the stick is pulled out and the ball is re-wound to finish it off. In some places these balls weigh three pounds or more each; in others, five of them make a pound. The purity of the rubber depends much upon how much other juice has been added. The best and purest is that obtained from the juice without boiling. This is only found in the shape of bracelets, because the natives wind the juice as it runs out around their wrists and let it dry there. When perfectly dry it slips off easier. This would be transparent rubber if the skin and fingers of the natives were not so very dirty.

The natives often used to put foreign substances, such as small stones, palmnuts and little balls of grass into the rubber ball to make it heavy. They were soon found out, and every ball is now cut through the center to reveal its mixture. Often the rubber is buried for some days, because it draws the moisture from the ground, which adds to the weight. Cheating is resorted to because the pay is so poor. It takes a party of eight or ten men and boys six to eight weeks to gather from 80 to 100 pounds of rubber. The value of this, if all is first-class, is from 200 to 250 yards of cotton cloth or 60 gallons of rum or three or four flintlock guns. Surely this is poor pay for this kind of work.

Still, the natives rejoice greatly if the men from one town return with 100 pounds. It seems like a fortune to them, because they need so little that civilized people crave and pay for. When this little fortune is spent and the weather permits, another trip is undertaken to the rubber region.—N. Y. Sun.

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Henry Hardin has moved into the property lately vacated by S. Booker.

Thanksgiving passed by with the usual feasting.

Mr. and Mrs. John Willard and family, of Warrensburg, ate turkey with the family of J. E. Underwood, returning on Friday.

The Modern Woodmen have changed their night of meeting to Saturday night. Let there be a full turnout next Saturday evening.

County Clerk J. M. Dodd and wife spent Thanksgiving with the family of Dr. W. T. Patterson.

There are quite a number of candidates for the post office, but Frank Jennings seems to be in the lead on account of efficient work during the recent struggle.

Misses Minnie Ritchie and Maude Ticknor and Howard Pevery, all of Warrensburg, visited with J. E. Underwood and family over Sunday.

Meetings are still in progress at this place. There have been no converts at the present writing. Miss Bowman of Argenta is assisting Rev. Hatfield with the services.

Dr. Lonergan and family of Decatur spent Thanksgiving and ate turkey and oysters with the family of John Wilson of this place.

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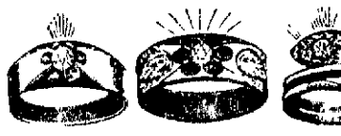

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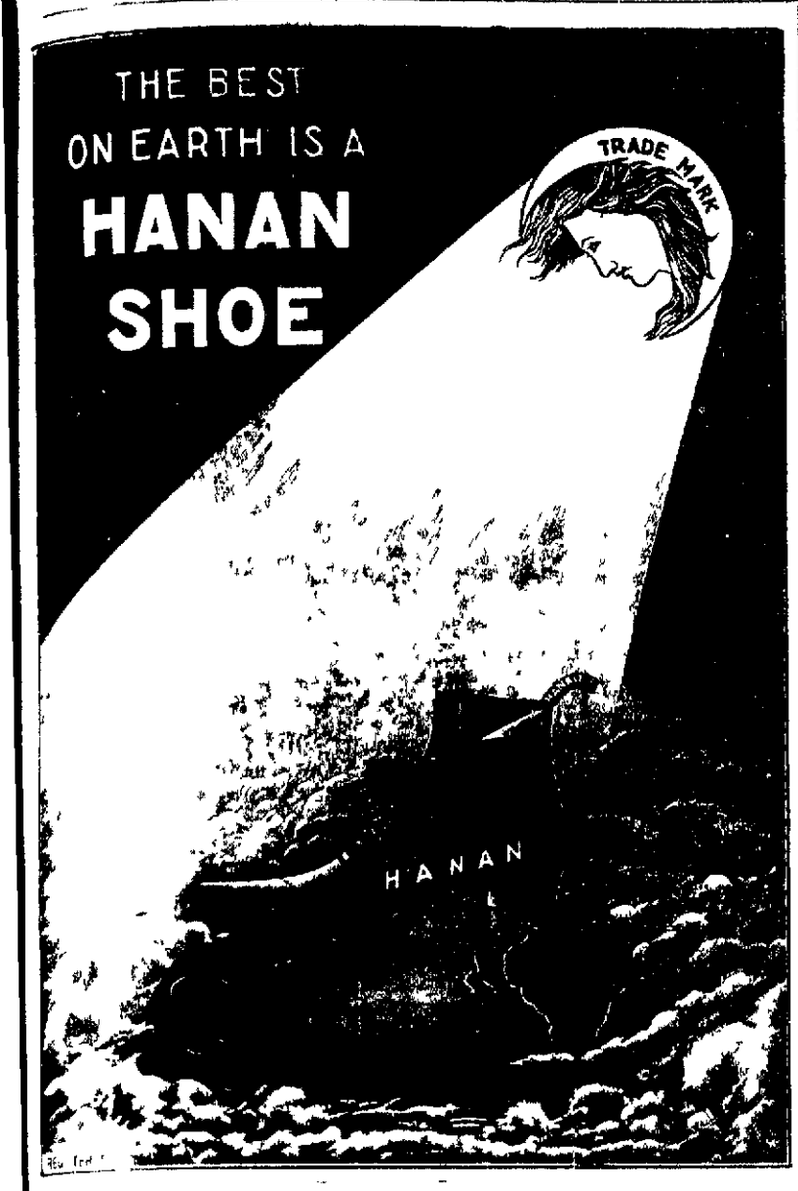

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WHEN POISON IS GIVEN.

A Knowledge of Antidotes Becomes Very Valuable

A recent incident illustrates the value of painstaking maternal care in the management of a household. A child was dangerously ill from a throat affection and the physician had given strict directions respecting its treatment There were two medicines to be given the little patient, one a deadly poison which was burned in a lamp so that the fumes could be inhaled, and the other a quieting mixture, designed to lay fever and to induce sleep

The mother finding it necessary to leave the room for a short time to attend to her household duties, took the precaution of removing the poisonous mixture from the table, and placing it in a medicine cupboard on the side wall The sleepingdraught was on the table in plain sight and the mother as she was going out of the door, told the nurse in attendance to give the child a teaspoonful in ten minutes

The nurse kept watch of the clock, and when it was time for giving the medicine, stepped up to the cupboard and absent mindedly poured out a teaspoonful from the bottle When the child had gulped it down, the nurse's eyes fell upon the other bottle on the table Instantly her mistake was revealed to her She had substituted the poison for the sleeping-draught.

Snatching up the bottle which she had used, she read in large letters the word "Poison" Overcome with horror she ran out into the hall and screamed for help with the full power of her lungs

The mother in the kitchen and the father in the parlor fairly tumbled over each other on the stairs in their frantic efforts to reach the room, where they found the nurse with the fatal bottle in her hands, and the child screaming from a burning pain in his throat.

Naturally the father sent for the nearest physician, but it was half an hour before he was in the house Meanwhile, the child would have been beyond recovery if some one in the house had not known what was the right thing to do, and if the emergency had not been intelligently forecast

The mother was a natural care-taker. Methodical in her habits, she had been accustomed for years to arrange medicines in the most systematic way. The poisons were kept on a shelf by themselves, and she had taken the precaution to write out the antidote for each, and to paste the formula upon the bottle underneath the label.

Seizing the bottle, she learned at a glance the directions for an overdose. rushed to the kitchen for the antidote, and administered it in a few minutes, the frightened child swallowing it obediently. In ten minutes the child was unconscious, but the belated physician, after learning what had been done, said there was hope. After a hard fight for life, the boy recovered.

His mother's prompt action had saved his life. Richly was she rewarded for years of painstaking care and orderly habits.—Youth's Companion.

HOW TO DRESS A BED.

Pure White Is the Thing in Unpretentious Homes

The fashion of covering a bed during the day with colored tapestries silk cretonnes or other upholstery goods and making use of a regular upholstered bolster covered with the same material has prevailed to some extent in handsome houses It was a convenient fashion for city apartments where the parlors adjoined sleeping-rooms and the beds were likely to be somewhat exposed to view By upholstering them as described with tempting colors they presented no more objectionable appearance than a sofa or upestried chair When the room was required as a sleeping-room at night these trappings were removed and the white coverlet was exposed The pillows were brought out from some place where they were put away and the room was ready This was hardly a fashion to introduce generally into simple home When there is an abundance of room to isolate the bedroom in the privacy of the second and upper stories there is no excuse for such an arrangement Sometimes the best bedroom, which is likely to be used for dressing room by ladies at teas and on other social gatherings in the country is furnished with an upholstered bed, but this is not the rule

The majority of housekeepers prefer the white bed with its spotless coverlet and pillows covered with ornamental shams exposed to view Sometimes a embroidered coverlet of white Bolton sheeting wrought over with sprigs of forget-me nots, button roses, rosebuds and other flowers is used, with shams of the same material or a round bolster covered with embroidered Bolton sheeting The advantage of the last arrangement is that the covering can be as frequently washed as if it was a pure white and will look as fresh A bed upholstered in tapestries or colored silk may present a stately appearance of olden luxury, but it is not as dainty as a bedroom in delicate tints with white or white embroidered bed —N Y Tribune

Delicious Apple Bread.

Boil a dozen good-sized apples that have been carefully peeled and cored, until they are perfectly tender While still warm, mash them in double the amount of flour, and add the proper proportion of yeast The mass should then be thoroughly kneaded without water, as the juice of the apples will make it sufficiently soft. It should be left to rise for 12 hours, then formed into loaves, and baked when quite light. Apple bread was the invention of a scientific Frenchman, and it has always been highly commended for its healthfulness —Ladies' Home Journal

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SHE WAS SYMPATHETIC.

The Second Wife Wore Mourning for the First.

I had no idea who the people were I was stopping with for the night in the Cumberland mountains and I cared no more so long as I had food and shelter I had some little opportunity to study my host and his family He was a typical mountaineer of the saffron complexion and the scrawny neck, with his chin whiskers and a more solemn and serious man I never saw He was absolutely lugubrious as he stalked around the house like the shadow of a great pain

His companion a woman whom I imagined to be his sister was also painfully solemn but not nearly so lad as the man was and very much better still when he was out of hearing She was dressed in mourning but it did not seem to affect her seriously when the man was not by

"Excuse me" I said to the woman whom I happened upon at the woodpile as I strolled around waiting for supper, "but is there anybody dead around here"

"Not jes' now," she answered as if it were a relief to her to talk about it "that is thar was awhile back"

"The family doesn't seem to get over it very readily Who was it and how long has it been"

"Hit wuz Jeemes' wife thet's him you seen walkin' around here when you fust come"

"Ah that's sad How long has she been dead?"

"Seven or eight months er sich a matter"

There was a harsher note in the woman's voice than grief

"I presume, I ventured, "that you are wearing mourning for her"

"Yes" she said, rather sharply, "that wuz a notion of Jeemes' He thought ez how hit would look somethin' more like ef I wuz to wear black for her kinder show respeck for the deceased, Jeemes said and make hit easier for him to bear"

"I'm sure that was very good in you" I said, with very apparent sincerity, for I meant all I said

"That's what the neighbors all said, an' Jeemes kinder didn't expect I would, I reckon"

"No, I should think he wouldn't. Sisters as a rule don't put on mourning for their brother's wives"

She looked at me with a flushed face

"I ain't no sister uv his'n," she said, almost indignantly.

"No?" I said, in some surprise. "Then you must have been her sister?"

"No, ner her'n neither," she said, and her manner made me half regret that I had mentioned the matter at all "I'm his wife—I reckon I might as well tell you fust as last—and I married him six months after his fust wife died, and he said that now seein' I wuz in the fam'ly I oughter wear black, and hit kinder 'peared that way to me, too, an' I done hit, but sometimes hit sorter 'pears as ef I wuz forcin' the season or somethin'. Heir' as you air a stranger an' ain't quite so sorter things, I'd like [illegible] years to you"

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HOLIDAY CANDIES.

Directions for Making Some Toothsome Delicies.

Everyone who has tested the best homemade candies knows that they are equal to the best French bonbons, and far better than any candy that can be found at the same price.

The simplest form of candy is the old-time pulled molasses stick. This is not often made to-day because a much better pulled candy which passes popularly under the same name may be made of light brown sugar. One reason for this is the difficulty found to-day in obtaining the sweet, sound molasses of years ago. To make a pulled candy of sugar, put six cups of coffee "A" sugar over the fire with three cups of water. Boil it to the "crack" or until a few drops of the sirup, thrown in cold water, forms a brittle mass. A good way to test it is with the teeth. If the cooled candy clings to the teeth when bitten, the sirup has not boiled enough. When the proper stage of boiling is reached, add the grated peel of two lemons and half a cup of butter. Do not stir the candy, but let it boil again to the crack. If you wish plain taffy the candy is now done. Pour it out on greased plates to the depth of about a quarter of an inch. Sprinkle some of the plates thickly with chopped walnut, pecan or butternut kernels to make nut taffy. Crease the taffy after it has cooled a little, so it can be broken into candies of uniform size. Reserve a portion of this candy to pull. Pull this candy until it is nearly white, and about the thickness of your finger. Cut it into inch lengths and let it dry in a cold place for an hour or longer.

To make a pure white cream candy, use pure white sugar and omit the butter. Pull the candy until it is creamy and smooth. Add a few drops of cochineal to this candy before it is pulled, to make a pink pulled candy. A delicious lemon candy is made of 3½ pounds of white sugar, 1½ pints of water and a teaspoonful of cream tartar. Put the mixture in a bright tin or copper saucepan and let it boil over a brisk fire until it reaches the "crack." Pour it out on a greased platter, add a teaspoonful of tartaric acid and the same amount of lemon extract. As soon as you can bear your finger in the mass work in the lemon extract and the tartaric acid. Mould it on the platter if you have no marble board for the purpose. Do not handle the candy any more than just to mix in the seasoning, or you will destroy the transparency, which is the characteristic of this candy. Form it into sticks an inch long and half an inch thick in the same way as you did the pulled taffy, working it as little as possible. About four drops of tincture of saffron will give the candy a yellow tinge, without making it less transparent.

The rule for chocolate creams is given by request. Boil half a pound of granulated sugar with three tablespoonfuls of rich milk. When the sirup makes a soft ball when a drop is put in cold water, let it cool. When you can bear your finger in it beat it until it is white and creamy. Flavor it with a little vanilla and mould the mass into little balls the size of the smallest marbles. Boil half a pound of sugar with two tablespoonfuls of water to "the ball." When it is beaten to a cream add gradually four ounces of chocolate cut up and melted. Melt the whole over the fire until it is glassy and very thick, and dip the creamy balls in it from the point of a long upholstery needle. Lay them on greased papers to cool. Any chocolate left may be made into chocolate nut candies by dipping walnut kernels in it. The rules for many elaborate fondant candies have been recently given in these columns.—N. Y. Tribune.

THE WINTER COMPLEXION.

A Harmless Lotion for the Preservation of Fair Faces.

When the woman who has delightedly lived out of doors all summer in rural scenes finds herself returned to brick walls and city conventionalities, she is somewhat abashed at the condition of her skin. Freckles and sunburn are rather effective than otherwise under the garden hat or mountain cap, but with the natty tailor-made gown of early autumn and generally smart effect of city toilets, one wishes some how these skin blemishes had been left in the country along with the lost tennis balls, broken oars and other midsummer rubbish.

Sometimes the simple washing of the face every night for a few nights with pure castile soap and tepid water will be all that is needed, but if the freckles still hold, a lotion published by the Medical Record, and pronounced harmless, will remove them. The formula for this is: Four ounces lactic acid, two ounces glycerine, one ounce rose water. After using the lotion apply a pure cold cream to allay any burning sensation. Vaseline on the face or hands is not recommended by complexion specialists, as it has a tendency after awhile to yellow the skin. It is, however, an excellent thing to touch the lips with on going out windy autumn days. It prevents the hardening and cracking to which tender-skinned people are subject at the first harsh breeze. Touch only the lips, and try not to moisten them afterward.—Boston Budget.

Mother's Crullers.

Mix thoroughly together two cupfuls of sugar, a tablespoonful of butter, half a cupful of milk, a scant teaspoonful of soda dissolved in boiling water, two teaspoonfuls of vinegar, the grated rind of an orange, a little nutmeg and flour enough to make a dough stiff enough to roll out. Cut in squares or circles and cook in boiling lard. When cooked and nearly cool sift powdered sugar over them.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Cocoanut Pound Cake.

Take a pound each of flour and sugar half a pound of butter, a dozen of eggs half a cocoanut grated, the juice and grated rind of a lemon. Mix as for ordinary pound cake batter and bake in small cups.—Good Housekeeping.

For Pneumonia.

Dr. J. C. Bishop, of Agnew, Mich., says: "I have used Foley's Honey and Tar in three very severe cases of pneu-

IMPERVIOUS TO POISON.

Caucasians Do Not Suffer from the Darts of Savage Tribes.

It is curious that we hear so little of poisoned weapons in these days. Now and again the newspapers report what they call "a tragedy" from the South seas or from Africa, such as the death of poor Commander Goodenough, or the massacre of that French party in Borneo, announced the other day. But such events are very rare, and they nearly always happen in certain narrow areas. Poisoned weapons were an abiding terror once in every land, civilized or savage. But in Europe they seem to be quite extinct, and somehow people no longer take much account of them in regions where they are still common. One might suspect that the alarm of our forefathers was due mostly to superstition and ignorance. They had poison, as one may say, "on the brain," and their methods of analysis were grotesque. But in every museum are weapons carefully fashioned to insure that a dose of venom shall enter the wound they inflict. Doubtless the men of that time were familiar with noxious herbs and substances which are known at present only to students of science. But it still remains somewhat of a puzzle that poisoned arrows are so rarely mentioned in savage countries. There are districts innumerable up and down where Europeans live, no welcome residents, among a population well acquainted with deadly drugs and used to steep their weapons therein. One might certainly have expected that the Ghazis of Afghanistan would poison their knives. Often it has been alleged that one of them did so, but is there any evidence? In our generation, at least, wounded men duly recover unless their hurts be mortal.

Has any Englishman ever lost his life in Borneo from the fatal darts of the blowpipe? Capt. Mundy tells how several of his men were struck at the capture of Bruni, but their messmates instantly sucked the wound, and nothing followed. The present rajah of Sarawak once lost 30 men in a single bay; they had gone out as skirmishers. The bodies had no mark beyond the simple puncture, where a drop of blood oozed on the wound.

One man was struck near him; he instantly had the arrow extracted, the wound sucked, a glass of brandy administered and the patient sent off to the boats, about five miles distant. Two companions supported him, with strict orders not to let him sleep till he reached the landing place; they made him keep awake and he recovered. Old officers of the Sarawak government have many such stories to tell. But the fact remains, curious to us, that natives make very little use comparatively of their terrible power. Not half the tribes, indeed, employ the blowpipe, whether for war or hunting, and none poison swords, spears, or any instrument whatever. The poisoned weapons of the Malay are a stock property of fiction. It is not to be said that they never existed in fact, for the bravos are found everywhere, but assuredly they are uncommon even among the criminal class. Yet the Malays are perfectly familiar with the upas, and they entertain even an exaggerated belief in its virulence. They know a venom more powerful still, the sap of the chetek, a common vine, which can be obtained in five minutes, for it is used "neat"—the concoction of upas is not a little complicated. Dr. Horsfield, in Java, persuaded a expert to make some in his presence. "With an equal quantity of upas juice the native mingled about half a drachm each of sap from Acum, Kempfer a galange, anonum, a kind of Zerumbed, common onion, a drachm and a half of black pepper." With this composition Dr. Horsfield killed a dog in one hour, a monkey in seven minutes, a cat in 15, and a large buffalo in two hours and ten minutes. By all accounts the Borneo upas is much stronger. In 30 minutes, or even 20, a man is dead, they say. Pall Mall Gazette.

FAST TRAINS AS EDUCATORS.

They Give the People an Understanding of the Existing Social Conditions.

The immense railroad system of the country is very largely a development of the past 35 years. We rarely, perhaps, think of an express train as an educational institution, but it carries teachers to the schools, preachers to the pulpit, lecturers to the platform, books from the publishers and newspapers and magazines to the people. Indeed, an express train running at 40 miles an hour is a sort of people's college on wheels, distributing literature and living teachers and brightening the world with information. Associate with it the United States mail, the telegraph lines, the telephone, and the Atlantic cable, and in every town we have the facilities for a liberal education in these fast days, whether that town is located immediately on the line of some railroad or removed from it some 25 or 30 or 50 miles. Everybody may have knowledge, because it is brought within easy reach, so that no man need grow up in ignorance, but may be equipped with practical information for his vocation in life.

Our social structure has been greatly changed. The laboring man who in his little shoe shop, tin shop, blacksmith shop or tailor shop, in the small town of 35 years ago, when he worked alone and lived alone, save as he was brought into personal contact with his customers, sees this condition of things entirely changed, so that now the mechanic rarely sees his customer, and is rarely, if ever, brought into personal contact with him. He learns a specialty in trade, and he is united with the labor organization, and that is a part of the federation of labor, and he acts with great bodies of men on the social side of his vocation or business. —Chautauquan.

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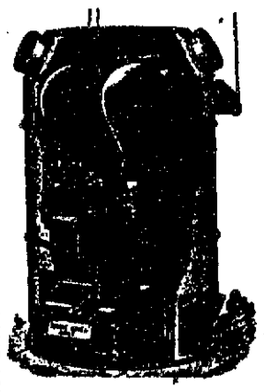

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The catches were something phenomenal. One man caught 80 fish in half a day, another took 133 in a day. Dr. Herbert, of Manasquan, his brother, of Asbury Park and a friend took over a barrel of flounders and weakfish, with two kinds of line, rod and reel, in a single day's sport. They caught several barrelfuls, weighing 2,100 pounds. This is perhaps the largest take with rod and reel ever made. During all the week and up to November 4 the fishermen caught by the ton. Wagons drove to the beach to carry the catches home. Scores of barrelfuls have been salted down for winter use, and the catch has been a godsend to many poor people. The fish were unusually large and fat, averaging from three to ten pounds each. Not so many are being taken now, but the run will continue as long as the sand eels last.—N. Y. Sun.

Steam Engines vs. Men.

A well known eastern professor of mathematics has published an estimate of the mechanical force which the steam engines of this country could exert. It is supposed, and the supposition is not only based on the manner in which would necessarily have to be expended on such a gigantic work, and on allusions of ancient historians, that it took 10,000 men 20 years to build the great pyramid. One ingenious mathematician figures that the steam engines of the United States, properly housed and supplied with water and fuel, would exert force sufficient to produce the same effect, that is to say, to raise the stones from the quarry, transport and put them in place, in the short space of 43 minutes.—St. Louis Republic.

A Theory About Hair.

A San Francisco school-teacher says that by observing how the hair grows on the heads of the boys placed under her charge she can tell a great deal about their character and ability. She thinks that when there is a single point on the central line of the scalp just back of the top of the head around which the hair is arranged in a well-defined circle, gradually and regularly widening, then the owner of the head is well behaved and intelligent, while if the point is ill-defined, and especially if there are several of them, the chances are that the child is stupid, vicious or both.—N. Y. Times.

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"You don't mean to say that stingy old maid has given you ten marks for telling her fortune?"

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The catches were something phenomenal. One man caught 80 fish in half a day, another took 132 in a day. Dr. Herbert, of Manasquan, his brother, of Asbury Park, and a friend took over a barrel of flounders and weakfish, with rod and line, rod and reel, in a single week's fishing. They caught several barrels of eels, weighing 2,100 pounds. This is perhaps the largest take with rod and reel ever made. During all the week, up to November 4 the fish were caught by the ton. Wagons drove to the beach to carry the catches home. Scores of barrelfuls have been salted down for winter use, and the catch has been a windfall to many poor people. The fish were unusually large and fat, ranging from three to ten pounds each. So many are being taken now, but the run will continue as long as the sand eels last.—N. Y. Sun.

Steam Engines vs. Men.

A well-known eastern professor of mathematics has published an estimate of the mechanical force which the steam engines of this country could yield. It is supposed, and the supposition is not only based on the manual labor which would necessarily have to be expended on such a gigantic work, on allusions of ancient historians, that it took 100,000 men 20 years to build the great pyramid. One ingenious mathematician figures that the steam engines of the United States, properly located and supplied with water and fuel, would exert force sufficient to produce the same effect, that is to say, to raise the stones from the quarry, transport and put them in place, in the short space of 43 minutes.—St. Louis Republic.

A Theory About Hair.

A San Francisco school-teacher says that by observing how the hair grows on the heads of the boys placed under her charge she can tell a great deal about their character and ability. She thinks that when there is a single point on the central line of the scalp just back of the top of the head around which the hair is arranged in a well-defined circle, gradually and regularly widening, then the owner of the head is well behaved and intelligent, while if the point is ill-defined, and especially if there are several of them, the chances are that the child is stupid, vicious or both.—N. Y. Times.

Made a Hit.

"You don't mean to say that stingy old maid has given you ten marks for telling her fortune?"

"Indeed I do. I told her she would meet with an accident before she was 40 years old."—Fliegende Blaetter.

Mrs. Jennie S. Early, daughter of Dr. J. S. Myers, of Pontiac, is on the editorial staff of the Woman's Home Companion, of Cleveland, O.

$100 Reward $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.
Sold by all Druggists. 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Fred Murphy, of Danville, is in the cast of the Julia Marlowe company this season.

"Excuse me," observed the man in spectacles, "but I am a surgeon, and that is not where the liver is." "Never you mind where the liver is," retorted the other. "If it was in his big toe or left ear De Witt's Little Early Risers would reach it and shake it for him. On that you can bet your gig-lamps." A. J. Stoner & Son and Armstrong Bros.

The Kankakee Gazette, which has had a life of 48 years, started a daily commencing Nov. 30.

The old way of delivering messages by postboys compared with the modern telephone, illustrates the old tedious meth ds of "breaking colds" compared with their almost instantaneous cure by One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Stoner & Son and Armstrong Bros.

DeWitt farmers who have a scarcity of crib room are hauling their corn to market while the roads are as smooth as billiard tables.

Scaly eruptions on the head, chapped hands and lips, cuts, bruises, scalds, burns, are quickly cured by De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is at present the article most used for piles, and it always cures them. A. J. Stoner & Son and Armstrong Bros.

Rev. P. A. Coal, formerly of Pontiac, is president of a company with $100,000 which is to operate a marble quarry in the Cherokee nation.

About the Eye.

For people with sore eyes, weak, watery eyes, and red and inflamed eyes, caused by age, catarrh or otherwise, the Brazilian Balm is a priceless boon. Put 15 or 20 drops of Balm into a spoonfull of warm water and bathe the eyes well night and morning, getting some of the solution into the eyes. The relief and benefit is worth a hundred times the cost.

For sale by Armstrong Bros., Druggists

James Gillogly & Son, clothing and dry goods merchants of Newman, were forced to make an assignment. Liabilities about $3000, assets $6000.

Dr. L. Kittinger, a leading physician of Wilmington, Del., asked the proprietor of Brazilian Balm to send him a dollar bottle. A few weeks afterwards the doctor said: "I had a couple of cases of old Cough on hand that completely baffled me. I had got to the end of my string. But the Balm made a prompt cure in both cases. It is a remarkable remedy."

For sale by Armstrong Bros., Druggists

An iron bridge to cost $3490 will be built across the Vermillion at Avoca. Livingston county pays $1500 of this sum and Avoca township the rest.

Absolutely pure, perfectly harmless, and invariably reliable are the qualities of One Minute Cough Cure. It never fails in colds, croup and lung troubles. Children like it because it is pleasant to take and it helps them. A. J. Stoner & Son and Armstrong Bros.

Mrs. Sarah A. Miles of Somer, aged 91, is dead.

Hanged and Varnished.

An English custom of not so long ago was to hang smugglers on gibbets arranged along the coasts, and then tar the bodies that they might be preserved a long while, as a warning to other evil spirits. As late as 1822 three men thus varnished could have been seen hanging before Dover castle. Sometimes the process was extended to robbers, assassins, incendiaries and other criminals. John Painter, who fired the dockyard at Portsmouth, was first hanged and then tarred in 1776. From time to time he was given a fresh coat of varnish, and thus was made to last nearly 14 years. The weird custom did not stop smuggling or other crime, but no doubt it worked some influence as a preventive.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

Victoria's Descendants.

Germany has had five sovereigns since Queen Victoria began to reign. She herself will in future be recognized as the ancestress of one of the most powerful rulers. Her grandson wears the iron crown of Germany. Her granddaughter is empress of Russia. Another granddaughter is crown princess of Roumania. Her second son rules over the principality of Saxe-Coburg. The hereditary princess of Saxe-Meiningen is her granddaughter. The heir to the throne of Greece is her descendant; the grand duke of Hesse her grandson. She has no fewer than 61 descendants who one day between them promise to be at the head of more than half of Europe.—Chicago Times-Herald.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS

QUICK RELIEF

BARGAIN COLUMN.

Advertisements of Forty words or less may be inserted in this column at the rate of 25 cents per week, payable invariably in advance

For Sale, For Rent, Wanted, Etc.

WANTED.

WANTED—All to use the Taylorville Soft Coal, the best mined; clean, free burning lump and large nut; no dirt or slack; costs the same as other coals. Try a ton or load and be convinced. V. H. PARKE & SON, Sole Agents. Old and New Phone 55, North Main street. Nov 23-d1m

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Some good North Water street investment property, low. JOHN A. BROWN, 252 West Wood street. 17-d2w

FOR SALE—A modern eight-room house on west side, only four blocks from post office. JOHN A. BROWN, 252 West Wood street. Nov 17-d&w2w

FOR SALE—For spot cash, $250, you can get a fine building lot, very high ground, size 40x182, on North Union street. Only one left; don't all speak at once. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Nov 13-dtf

FOR SALE.—Here's something that will unlock your pocketbooks. Three fine lots, very high, on North Union street, size 40x182. $300 apiece, or $800 for all; one-half cash; balance on easy payments. Elegant building lots, new houses all around. Can use a good driving horse as part pay. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Nov 13-dtf

FOR SALE.—I have two houses and lots that can be bought at a bargain on easy payments. Only a small payment required down. One house contains six rooms and hall with open stairway; the other contains seven rooms and hall with open stairway. Each house has a nice mantle and grate with ash pit. All rooms are nicely papered, and both houses have basements, wells, cisterns and all necessary walks and outbuildings. These houses are just completed and have never been occupied. Come at once and secure a bargain. C. M. BARNETT, at C. L. Griswold & Co.'s. Aug. 15-dtf

FOR SALE OR TRADE—71 acres of land suitable for Poultry, Hog, Dairy or Garden farm, four miles from Decatur; good five-room house, cellar, two wells, spring, two barns, that hold 30 head of stock, corncrib, granary, together with farming implements; team, one cow, one stack of millet, two stacks sheaf oats, 350 shocks of corn, with fodder; all in running order; one-half in cultivation, balance pasture—about 300 choice young fruit trees, besides all kinds of small fruit. Possession given any time. $6,000 takes it; some property, some money, and easy time. Would make somebody a handsome home. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. nov13-dtf

For Sale—Horses on Easy Payments.

We have some good work horses which we can sell on the installment plan, or on long time. Also two good milch cows very cheap. Apply at Dimock's Sale stable at west end of Eldorado street. April 29-dtf

FOR RENT.

FURNISHED ROOMS.—Nicely furnished rooms to rent—furnace heat. Table board at reasonable rates. Call at 210 South Main street. Dec 1 d6*

FOR RENT—Three front suites of rooms on second floor of Wingate block; best office rooms in for the money in Decatur; also cozy rooms for lodging and light housekeeping, with all conveniences; rent reasonable. Enquire at Wingate's store, 323 N. Water street. 28-d6*

FOR RENT—Property on East Decatur street, at the rear of 463 South Water street. Apply to J. b. BULLARD on North Main street. Nov 21-dtf

ROOMS FOR RENT.—Four nice rooms, with bath room and closet, second floor of the Haines Building, 233 N. Main street. Enquire of F. W. HAINES, 462 West William street, Telephone 374. Sept 30-dtf

MONEY TO LOAN.

$10,000 TO LOAN, on improved Decatur or Macon county real estate. Lowest rates. No delay. C. E. GIVEN, 605 Millikin Bank Building. Oct 28-d&wtf

LOANS Of All Kinds Made by PEGRAM & CO., Room One, over Citizen's Nat. Bank.

$500 & $1 000 to loan on city real estate. Kuny, Johns & Strohm, 124 North Water street. nov20-d6

LOANS OF ALL KINDS. FISK BROS., Over Farmers' Bank. mar9 dtf

LOANS—I have money to place on farms and city property not over 40 per cent of value at 6 per cent, on 5 years time, with privilege of payments after the second year. Also loan money for nearly all classes of loans. Call or address Samuel McBride, 215 North Main street dec17 d&mo

MONEY TO LOAN—I have money to loan on city property and farms without delay. Call and see me. George W. Elrhart, Real Estate and Loans, Room 10, Opera Block. July 7-d1m

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—A pair of nose glasses, on Jasher between William and Eldorado at 6:45 p. m. last night. Return to H. F. Aldridge at 1134 East William street and receive reward. 25-d1w*

MISCELLANEOUS.

CASH FOR GOOD NOTES.—I can handle some short time notes if good. GEO. W. BIRKHART. Sept 28-d6

STORAGE GOODS FOR SALE.—We have a lot of household goods, bedroom suit, chairs, couches, carpets, etc., in good condition, that we will sell cheap to pay the storage due on them. This is a bargain for some one. BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO. June 10-dtf

R. O. ROSEN, Architect and Builder. Office Rooms 1 and 2, third floor. Review Building, North Main street.

SEE DILTS—If you are wanting a two, three or four inch tubular well, or your old wells made deeper. Well work of all kinds and sizes, from two inches to three feet. 723 N. Water or 1712 E. Prairie street. nov29 dtf

SALESMEN—Merchant's Trade, $30 a week. New, quick, good. Light samples free. Side line or exclusive. Mfrs., 3041 Market st., Phila. May 29-dtf

THE Blue Grass Carriage shop. Your vehicle insured and stored at my risk free of cost if repairs or repainting is necessary for spring use. Oceans of good dry room, and I want one to two hundred vehicles on these terms. Corner of East Main and Franklin streets. Jan6-dtf

BULBS of all kinds and best quality; Elbes, Roman and Dutch Hyacinths, Tulips, Crocus, Narcissus and Daffodils, Fuschas, Etc. It is time now for early planting. Can be had of N. BOMMERSBACH, or up town at the office of J. B. Bullard. Sept 17 dtf.

SALESMEN—Merchant's Trade, $30 a week. New, quick, good. Light samples free. Side line or exclusive. Mfrs., 3041 Market st., Phila. —n5 d4w

PUMPS, PUMPS, PUMPS, PUMPS. GEO. M. WOOD; 195 South Water st. June6-d&wtf

THE "Dollar Special" cabinet photo is still being made. $1.00 per dozen. Proofs shown. Accuracy and permanence guaranteed. Darkdays no hindrance in getting good negatives. East End Gallery, 1079 E. Eldorado St. Dec 30 d&wtf

THE GREATEST CONQUERERS ON EARTH. WHAT, WHY, WHERE, WHEN? WHAT? Cerrodanie Capsules. WHY? Because they never fail to cure Rheumatism and Neuralgia, for they destroy and remove the cause and a cure must follow. WHEN? Now. By mail, prepaid, $1 00: six boxes for $5 00. Write for free circulars which explain our theory. Agents wanted. THE CERRODANIE CO., Decatur, Ill. Nov 21-dtf

STORAGE—Large, clean brick warehouse, absolutely safe; household goods, bicycles, stoves and merchandise of all kinds received. Goods taken from or delivered at the house. Loans advanced. Inspection of warehouse solicited. F. M. MEREDITH, 620 Wabash avenue. Old Telephone 667. Nov. 21-d1mo

THE TURNER HALL, DECATUR.

A large and convenient hall, newly and finely equipped, with stage, [illegible], etc., can be secured for parties, entertainments, socials and concerts. Address, Turner Hall Trustees, [illegible]

[illegible],701,438 in gold, and $181,046,[illegible] silver. October 6, 1896, there were [illegible] national banks in operation with $3,[illegible] resources. Of the liabilities, [illegible] was due depositors [illegible] was in outstanding c[illegible] ninety-eight new ba[illegible]

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY } ss

In the Circuit Court to the January Term A. D. 1897.

Mary Willis vs. Joseph C. Willis—In Chancery.

Affidavit of the non-residence in this state of the said Joseph C. Willis, the defendant in the above entitled cause, having been filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of said county, Notice is hereby given to the said Joseph C. Willis that the above named complainant heretofore filed her bill of complaint in said court on the chancery side thereof, which suit is still pending, and that a summons thereupon issued out of said court against the above named defendant, returnable on the first day of the next term of said court, to be held at the court house in the city of Decatur, in said Macon county, on the 2d Monday of January, A. D. 1897.

Now unless you, the said Joseph C. Willis, shall be and appear on the first day of said term of said court, and plead, answer or demur to the said bill of complaint, the same will be taken as true, and a decree rendered according to the prayer thereof.

Dated November 3, A. D. 1896.

E. McCLELLAN, Clerk.

B. I. Sterrett, Sol. for Complainant. Nov. 3-d1w*

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. } ss

In the Circuit Court of Macon County, Illinois

Elizabeth Putnam vs. B. M. Brookshire et al.—No. 15879; Bill to Foreclose Mortgage.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the September term, 1896, of said court, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Tuesday, December 15th, 1896,

at 2 o'clock p. m. at the north door of the court house in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lots three (3), six (6) twenty (20), twenty-one (21), twenty-two (22), twenty-three (23) and twenty-four (24), in block six (6), in H. A. Wood's Walnut Grove Addition of Out Lots to the City of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated this 23d day of November, 1896.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery. W. Nay Boggess, Solicitor. (Nov23-d4t

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. } ss.

In the Circuit Court of Macon County.

Daniel Moore vs. Lee S. Hall et al—No. 15627; Bill to Foreclose Mortgage.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Macon County, Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the September Term 1896, of said court, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Wednesday, December 9th, 1896,

at 2 o'clock p. m. at the north door of the court house in the City of Decatur in said county offer for sale at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand subject to redemption according to law the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot ten (10) in Block two (2), Higgins' addition to the City of Decatur.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 16th day of November, 1896.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery. W. Nay Boggess, Outten & Itoby, Solicitors. Nov 17-d1d

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF MACON. } ss.

In the Circuit Court to the January Term, A. D. 1897.

Martha Underwood, complainant, vs. Chas. Myers, Cora A. Myers, Charles E Schroll and Augusta K. Schroll, defendants—In Chancery, No. ——

Notice is hereby given to the said defendants Charles E. Schroll and Augusta K. Schroll, that the above named complainant heretofore filed her bill of complaint in said court on the chancery side thereof against the above named defendants, and that a summons thereupon issued out of said court against the above named defendants, returnable on the first day of the January term A. D. 1897, of said court, to be held at the court house in Decatur, in said county of Macon on the second Monday of January, A. D. 1897, as is by law required, which suit is still pending in said court.

E. McCLELLAN, Clerk.

W. T. Cussins, Complainant's Sol. Nov. 17-d4w

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. } ss

In the Circuit Court, Macon County.

Decatur Brewing Co. vs. Minnie Wissen et al.—No. 15,839; Bill to Foreclose Mortgage.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the September term, 1896, of said court, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, December 5th, 1896,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., of said day, at the north door of the court house in the city of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Fifty (50) feet off the north side of lot nine (9) of the assessor's subdivision of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 24, township 16 north, range 2 east of the 3d principal meridian, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 14th day of November, 1896.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.

Alexander McIntosh, Sol. (Nov13-d4t

ATTACHMENT NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS MACON COUNTY. } ss

In the County Court, to the December Term, A. D., 1896.

Hudson T. Morton vs. Mary A. Locher—Attachment.

Affidavit that Mary A. Locher is not a resident of this state having been filed in the office of the Clerk of the County Court of said county, notice is hereby given to the said Mary A. Locher that the above named plaintiff heretofore filed an attachment in said court against the said Mary A. Locher for the sum of One Hundred Sixty-Two Dollars and Twenty-three cents, which suit is still pending, and that a summons thereupon issued out of said court against the above named defendant, returnable on the 1st day of the next December term of said court, to be held at the court house in the City of Decatur, in said county and state aforesaid, on the second Monday in December, 1896; unless you the said Mary A. Locher shall be and appear on the first day of said term of said court and plead, answer or demur to the said attachment, a default will be taken against you and judgment rendered thereon.

Dated this 2d day of November, A. D., 1896

Nov 3 d4w J. M. DODD, Clerk.

Special Tax Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the county court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, has rendered judgment for special taxes upon the property benefited by the following local improvements: The paving and improving of Maryland street from the south line of East Cerro Gordo street, southeasterly throughout its entire length to the west line of Front street, and Front street from its west line, at its intersection with Maryland street for a distance of ten feet easterly toward the central line of Front street, as will more fully appear from the certified copy of the judgment on file in my office, that a warrant for the collection of such special taxes is in the hands of the undersigned.

All persons interested are hereby notified to call and pay the amount specially taxed at the collector's office, being the city clerk's office, in the court house in said city, within thirty days from the date hereof.

Dated, this 10th day of November, A. D. 1896.

F. L. HAYS, City Clerk. nov 10-d30d

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution to me directed delivered by the clerk of the circuit court of Macon county, Illinois, in favor of Hayes Pump, Planter Company and against Walker E. Walker, I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: An undivided one-half interest in lot three (1), in Block one (2) in Oakland Place; also, an undivided one-half interest in lot one (1), block two (2) of Kanan's Addition to the City of Decatur. Taken as the property of the said Walker E. Walker, which I shall offer at public sale at north door of the court house in Decatur, in Macon county in said state, on the 8th day of December, A. D., 1896, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, for cash in hand to satisfy said execution.

This 18th day of November, A. D. 1896.

J. P. NICHOLSON, Sheriff Macon Co., Ill. Nov 18-d4t

Special Tax Notice.

Public notice is hereby given that the county court of Macon county, Illinois, has rendered judgment for special taxes upon property benefited by the following local improvement: The construction of a sewer in the City of Decatur, Macon county, Illinois, commencing at and connecting with the east side of Jasper street sewer by means of a slant joint opening at a point ten feet south of the intersection of said Jasper street sewer on Jasper street, with the center line of the alley running east and west between Lenfland Avenue and Herkimer street, which said sewer shall be constructed from said beginning point northeasterly by a gradual curve to the center line of said alley thence east on the center line of said alley to the west line of Woodford street, together with all Y-junctions, entrances, manholes, catch basins, inlets, connections and appurtenances, as will more fully appear from the certified copy of the judgment on file in my office; that a warrant for the collection of such special taxes is in the hands of the undersigned.

All persons interested are hereby notified to call and pay the amount specially taxed at the collector's office, being the city clerk's office in the court house in said city, within thirty days from the date hereof.

Dated this 10th day of November, A. D. 1896.

Nov 10-d30d P. L. HAYS, City Clerk.

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS MACON COUNTY } ss

In the Circuit Court of Macon County, Illinois.

James Etta Veech et al. vs. Joseph C. Hostetler et al.—No. 15796; September Term, 1896. In Chancery; Bill for Partition.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Macon County, State of Illinois, entered at the September Term, 1896, of the said court, in the above entitled cause, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, December 12th, 1896,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day at the north door of the court house in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale to the highest and best bidder the real estate mentioned in said decree and ordered to be sold, to-wit:

The northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 4, township 16 north, range 3 east of the 3d principal meridian, in Macon county, Illinois, containing 40 acres, more or less.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-half cash in hand on day of sale and one-half in one year from day of sale at 6 per cent per ann m, the deferred payment to be secured by mortgage on the premises sold.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, Nov. 7, 1896.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery. J. M. Gray, Solicitor. [Nov 11-d6d

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS MACON COUNTY } ss

In the Circuit Court of Macon County, Illinois.

Hiram Johnson vs. David F. Smith et al—No. 15 881; Bill to Foreclose Mortgage.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the September Term, 1896, of said court, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Tuesday, December 15th, 1896,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public auction, to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lots twenty-five (25), twenty-six (26) and twenty-seven (27), in block three (3), in H. A. Wood's Walnut Grove Addition of Out Lots to the City of Decatur, in the county of Macon and state of Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 23d day of November, 1896.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery. W. Nay Boggess, Solicitor [Nov 2 d4t

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. } ss.

In the Circuit Court, Macon Co., Ill.

Equitable Building and Loan Society, of Peoria, Ill., vs. James E. Hill et al. | No. 15679. Bill to foreclose mortgage.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon County, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the September term, 1896, of said court, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Monday, December 21st, 1896,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house in the city of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot six (6) in Block seven (7) of Higgins' Addition to the City of Decatur, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 27th day of November, 1896.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery. M. N. Gish, Solicitor.—Nov. 28-d4t

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. } ss

In the Circuit Court, Macon Co., Ill.

William J. Pogram vs. D. W. Whitehead et al.—No. 15 782. Bill to foreclose mortgage.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon County, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the September term, 1896, of said court, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, December 19th, 1896,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house in the city of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot nine (9) in Block one (1) of the Village of Warrensburg, situated in the County of Macon and State of Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 27th day of November, 1896.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery. John H. McCoy, Solicitor.—Nov. 28-d4t

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. } ss

In the Circuit Court, Macon County, Illinois.

Beulah M. Seely vs. Alexander Isbeel.—No. 15,586. Bill to foreclose mortgage.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, state of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the September term 1896, of said court, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Tuesday, December 29, 1896,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house in the city of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Commencing ninety-four and 58-100 feet east of the northwest corner of Lot number seven (7) in the east half of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section sixteen (16), township sixteen (16) north, range two (2) east of the 3rd principal meridian, thence south to the west line of the right of way of the St. Louis Division of the Wabash Railway Company, thence northeasterly along said right of way to a point 79 feet east of the place of beginning, thence west 79 feet to the place of beginning, in the County of Macon and State of Illinois.

Dated this 27th day of November, 1896, at Decatur, Illinois.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery. Bunn & Park, Solicitors.—Nov. 28-d4t

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. } ss

In the Circuit Court of Macon County.

Frank W. Caldwell vs. John S. Thayer et al; No. 15 811. Bill to Foreclose Mortgage.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the September term, 1896, of said court, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, December 19th, 1896,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house in the city of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lots One (1) and two (2) in Block one (1) of H. A. Wood's addition of Out Lots to the City of Decatur situated in the county of Macon and State of Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 27th day of November, 1896.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery. John H. McCoy, Solicitor. [Nov 28-d4t

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. } ss.

In the Circuit Court of Macon County.

Christian Schwab vs. Sarah J. Burk et al.—No. 15890; Bill to Foreclose Mortgage.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the September Term, 1896, of said court, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Monday, December 21st, 1896,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house in the City of Decatur, offer for sale at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to wit: The northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 16, in township 15 north, and range 1 east of the 3d p. m.; also ¼ acre in a square taken from the northeast corner of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of said section, township and range.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 27th day of November, 1896.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery. McKinney Bros., Solicitors. [Nov. 28-d4t

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. } ss

In the Circuit Court of Macon County.

Equitable Building and Loan Assn. vs. Henry S. Hill et al.—No. 15872; Bill to Foreclose Mortgage.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the September term, 1896, of said court, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Monday, December 21st, 1896,

at 2 o'clock p. m., of said day, at the north door of the court house in the city of Decatur, offer for sale at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate decreed to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit Lot three ( ), in Block four (4), Enterprise Addition to the City of Decatur, county of Macon, State of Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 27th day of November, 1896.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery. M. N. Gish, Solicitor. Nov 28-d4d

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. } ss.

In the Circuit Court Macon County.

Frank W. Caldwell vs. Audley D. Bisley et al.—No. 15812; Bill to Foreclose Mortgage.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the September term 1896, of said court, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, December 19th, 1896,

at the hour of 2 o'clock, p. m. of said day at the north door of the court house in the City of Decatur, offer for sale at public auction to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lots three (3) and four (4), in block one (1) of H. A. Wood's Addition of Out Lots in the City of Decatur, the county of Macon, State of Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 27th day of November, 1896.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery. J. H. McCoy, Solicitor. Nov 28-d4t

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. } ss

In the Circuit Court to the January Term 1897.

Ida E Armstrong vs. Isabella Disney et al.—In Chancery.

It appearing by affidavit filed in my office that the defendants, Isabella Disney, John J. Disney and Robert Young, three of the above named defendants, are non-residents of the state of Illinois, Notice is hereby given to each of you that the above named complainant has filed her bill of complaint in said court on the chancery side thereof and that said suit is still pending, and that summons thereupon issued out of said court against each of the above named defendants returnable to the next January term 1897, of said court, to be held at the court house in Decatur, in said county, on the second Monday in January, A. D. 1897; Now unless you the said Isabella Disney, John J. Disney and Robert Young shall each appear on the first day of said court and plead, answer or demur to the said bill of complaint the same will be taken as confessed against you and a decree rendered according to the prayer thereof.

Dated at Decatur this 24 day of December, A. D. 1896. [Seal.] E. McCLELLAN, Clerk.

Dec 2-d4w

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. } ss.

In the Circuit Court, to the January Term, 1897.

John King et al. vs. Samuel G. Malone et al.—Chancery.

It is, pending by affidavit filed in my office that on due inquiry the residence of the following named defendants, Mary Sanderson, Joseph Sanderson, John Bohrer and Catronia Bohrer cannot be found notice is hereby given to each of you that the above named complainants have filed their bill of complaint in said court on the chancery side thereof, which said suit is still pending, and that summons thereupon issued out of said court against each of you above named defendants returnable to the next January term 1897, on the first day thereof, to be held at the court house in Decatur, in said county, on the second Monday in January, A. D. 1897; Now unless you, the said Mary Sanderson, Joseph Sanderson, John Bohrer and Catronia Bohrer shall each appear on the first day of said court and plead, answer or demur to said bill of complaint the same will be taken as confessed against you and a decree rendered according to the prayer thereof.

Dated this 30th day of November, A. D. 1896.

[Seal.] E. McCLELLAN, Clerk.

Dec 1-d4w

EXECUTRIX' NOTICE.

Estate of John T. Hubbard, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executrix of the estate of John T. Hubbard, late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the January term, on the first Monday in January next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said est

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LOCAL NEWS.

Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.

You pay a little more for Sloeth's portraits but——

Smoke the Litle J, 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Quinine regular price, 45 cents an ounce, at Irwin's.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. june 22-dtf

Dr H. P. Bachman, dentist rooms 7, 8 and 9, in Temple block. 5 dtf

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 center, made by John Weigand. Mch 25 tf.

Dr. L. E. Coonradt, Dentist rooms 42 and 43 Fenton block. aug24-dtf

Hot soup served at noon every day at Singleton's Resturant —Oct21tf

Sloeth is the only photographer in the city who guarantees satisfaction.

The old reliable K & W cigars are made by John Weigand. Mch 25-dtf.

See our cheap shoes for men.
PHILPOTT'S, 229 N. Water St.

Oct5dtf F. L. Stevenson, Assignee.

Trifle extract perfume, 20 cents an ounce, at Irwin's drug store.

Tender roast beef with brown gravy served at noon daily at Singleton's restaurant —Oct21tf

Use Decatur coal. It is the best. Leave your order at Armstrong Bros.' drug store.—oct8 -dtf

The Kankakee Gazette, which has had a life of 43 years, started a daily commencing Nov 30.

Small boys or men using fire arms to kill English sparrows will be promptly arrested by the police.

Today a force of men were at work putting in the curbing on North Water street between North and William streets.

Opened and delivered to your residence on the half shell, Blue Point, Rockaway, Box Shell oysters Pearl Oyster and Fish Co.

Be wise and order a nice turkey now for the holidays of Pearl Oyster and Fish company, 243 North Main street. Telephone 344.—2 it

Ladies and children made dresses, cloaks and winter wraps nicely dyed cleaned and pressed -no ripping apart at Miller's Steam Dye House, 145 North Main street.

W. A. Barnett has completed a 112 foot span bridge over Salt Creek, east of Farmer City. It was accepted by the commissioners and committee of supervisors on Saturday It cost $2744.

They will strengthen the mind and body those fine flavored Baltimore Standard oysters in cans and bulk at Pearl Oyster and Fish company 243 North Main street. Telephone 344.—3-4t

Last Monday evening Prof. Bear, the physical instructor of the Y. M. C. A gave a surprise party to the members of his gymnasium class. After the lesson in the gymnasium the members were invited down stairs where they were served an oyster supper

There will be a call meeting of Bay Leaf camp No. 29, R. N. of A., Thursday afternoon, Dec. 3, at 2:30, in K. P. hall, opera block, for special business. All members urged to be present. Etta Andrews, Oracle, Clara Flory, recorder.

Master Verror Henshie, of Blue Mound, a lad just out of knee pants, has published an excellent piece of music, dedicated to bicyclists and is called the "Wheelmen's March." For sale at the music stores

The newly elected vestry of All Angels' church met on Tuesday, Dec. 1, and appointed delegates to the synod of the diocese of Springfield, which will meet in the Pro-Cathedral at Springfield next Tuesday, Dec. 8 The gentlemen chosen were: Messrs Thos D. Parker and S. B. Winholtz, delegates. C. C Loforgee and C J Hartley, alternates

Hot Water Bottles.

Just received at West's Drug Store, a new stock of Hot Water Bottles

Two quart	75 cts
Three quart.	80 cts
Four quart	90 cts

The winter of our discontent is here, but has nothing to do with the contentment one receives in buying some of the nice fresh, croppies, smeltz, boned herring, pickerel and white fish of Pearl Oyster and Fish Co., telephone 344. 243 North Main street.—2-4t

PERSONAL MENTION.

L. L. Haworth, of Chicago, is visiting in the city.

S. T. Weir, of Champaign, is in the city on a business trip.

Mrs. J. E. Westfall is at Springfield visiting Mrs. L. R. Morgan.

William Coleman went to Champaign today on a business trip.

Miss Mamie Webb, is ill at her home, No. 274 West Wood street.

Mrs. Buckley, of Peoria, is in the city visiting Mrs. David Levy.

G. A. Fleming left last night for Britt, Iowa, on a business trip.

Miss Jenkins, of Chicago, is in the city visiting Miss Pet Buckingham.

Dr. W. M. Catto was in Taylorville yesterday on professional business.

Miss Mary Clary, who has been visiting near Litchfield, returned home last night.

Miss Nannie Truax will leave this afternoon for Pekin to visit her brother.

Miss Lillian Drew has returned home from Weldon where she has been visiting friends.

Leon Stanley, the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Stanley, who has been ill of scarlet fever, has recovered.

Depot Master T. W. Douglas, who has been ill at Peoria, has recovered and returned to the city.

John E. Andrews, the deputy revenue collector of this district, was in the city yesterday on business.

Miss Orvis, who has been in the city visiting Miss Jane Roby, has returned to her home in Chicago.

Mrs. W. T. Downing, who has been dangerously ill at her home north of the city, is slightly improved.

Charles T. Warfield and family left yesterday for San Antonio, Texas, where they will make their home.

Rev. W. H. Cannon, of Litchfield, will be in the city in a few days to visit friends and will preach next Sunday at the Edward street Christian church.

John Wood left today for San Francisco, Cal. He will pass the winter in the west. He expects to stop over in Colorado to hunt in the mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Cook arrived home last night from St. Louis. They were gone about two weeks on their bridal tour. They are registered at the St. Nicholas.

Funeral of Miss Plumer.

The funeral of Miss Anna Plumer will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock from the German Lutheran church, Rev. M. Wagner officiating. The cortege will leave the residence at 1:30 o'clock.

Very Good.

The "Too Much Johnson" comedy at the Grand was all and more than was claimed for it. It was Johnson through and through, and when the people went away they could think or talk of nothing but Johnson. The comedy was produced by a well-balanced company and with special scenery. It was a lively, funny play.

Was Not Notified.

Mrs. Emma M. Hayden, of Galesburg, member of the woman's section of the Odd Fellows' Old Folks' Home board, arrived in the city today to attend the meeting dated for the organization She did not know that the meeting had been postponed for two weeks. She called on Mrs. Irene Reeve and returned to her home this evening. Mrs H had not been notified that the meeting had been postponed because of death in the family of one of the board members.

The Annual Trial.

This is the season when every fond wife imagines she must buy her husband a Christmas present and she haunts the center of the city daily in search of something she is sure he needs and likes In nine cases out of ten she is pretty sure to purchase a necktie he never will wear, a box of cigars that he has to give away to his friends, some impossible night shirts or articles that are of little good to him And vice versa. When a husband gets it into his head that he must surprise his wife with something nice on Christmas he usually succeeds. Her surprise is generally fully up to the requirements and the article he buys is given to some poor family that needs it worse.

This week we are selling
50 Cuban Star Cigars at..... 75 cents
50 Social Tips Cigars at.....75 cents
L. Chodat's News House.

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COMPLAINT CHAPTER.

Citizens Call on the Police to Make Vigorous Protests.

This is the time for the killing of English sparrows and the boys are active in getting the heads of the birds so that they can go to the city clerk and get the coveted money orders—2 cents a head reward authorized to be paid under the statutes. The police have received complaints from citizens about the sparrow hunters using fire arms to kill the birds. Last night some boy fired at a bird and the 22-calibre bullet was lodged in the window frame of a house in the west end. The bullet might have gone through the window pane and killed or injured one of the inmates. The police have the battered bullet in their possession. The officers want it made known that the city ordinance as to the use of fire arms of every character within the city limits will be strictly enforced. Every boy or man known to use fire arms to kill sparrows or for any other purpose will be arrested and vigorously prosecuted. All should take warning and govern themselves accordingly.

There is another kick on file with the police. It is to the effect that it is known that undertakers bury the dead without complying with the law in first obtaining permits. The police say they do not know whether there is any foundation for the complaint. All they do know is

THE WILSON SUICIDE.

Coroner Bendure Found the Lifeless Body in the Road.

The story of the suicide of George H. Wilson near the Parker school house in Maroa township, published in the Republican last evening, was substantially correct.

Evidence at the Inquest.

Wilson had ridden in a road cart from the Columbia hotel at Maroa to the school house, three miles distant, to see his daughter, Alice, who was inside making a fire. He called to her to come out He said:

"Here, Alice, I've brought your horse. I won't need it any more. Come, tell me good bye—I am going to kill myself."

With that he clasped her in his arms and kissed her passionately, and before the startled girl could realize fully the meaning of his strange actions he was gone. As he crossed the stile and moved away from the fence she heard him say:

"I don't know if this is for the best."

Wilson started out into the road and had walked probably fifteen feet away from the fence when he suddenly drew a revolver from his pocket and fired a bullet into his right temple.

George Ward, a pupil, was but a short distance away. He saw Mr. Wilson come out into the road and heard the shot and saw Wilson fall, but did not see him fire the shot. He went to where Wilson was lying on the ground, and was soon joined by John Barger, who had also seen Wilson fall but had not heard the shot.

At the inquest the witnesses examined were Miss Alice Wilson, John Barger, John Ward and Bert Hays.

The verdict was that George H. Wilson's death resulted from a pistol bullet fired into his right temple by his own hand, with suicidal intent. The jury men were Dr. W. T McLean, S. H. Covault, Daniel Hoff, C. G. Persinger, C. L. Phares and D. F. Girdon.

Mr. Wilson was not a son of the late D. K. Wilson of Friends' Creek township. He had no relatives in this county. He came from Kentucky fifteen years ago.

DICKSON'S WIFE RELENTED.

But She Had to Testify Against Her Husband in Court.

Henry Dickson, the man who went to his home on East Cantrell street outside the city limits Sunday night, and while crazy drunk, terrorized his family and neighbors, was before Justice Hardy this afternoon. Deputy Sheriff Holmes brought Dickson over to the court room and Assistant State's Attorney Mills was on hand to prosecute the case. Near the front of the office sat the careworn wife, poorly clad. She swore out the peace warrant, then being afraid that Dickson would burn down the house and kill her and the children. In court today Mrs. Dickson at first refused to be sworn. She said she didn't want to testify against her husband as he had promised to keep sober and behave himself, but Mr. Mills told the woman that if she didn't testify he would find a way out of the difficulty. The woman was plainly reluctant to give her evidence, but after brief reflection she concluded to be sworn. Then she told the story of Dickson's behavior Sunday night when he came home drunk, cursing and threatening to burn down the house and do violence to the inmates. She said her husband was for six years an employe of a railway, that he bought the food for the family and she managed to get the clothes. There are three children in the family

Mr. Dickson appeared quite nervous while his wife was giving her evidence He was sworn and testified that he had nothing to say except that he was so drunk Sunday night he didn't know what he was doing He didn't want to lose his job because he owed $250 on his house and wanted to keep his position so he could get food for his children. He testified that he got drunk Sunday and that he bought the liquor at two saloons on the levee. In answer to questions he located the saloons.

Justice Hardy fixed the peace bond at $100 for a period of six months, and Mrs. Dickson signed the bond.

Dickson promised faithfully that he would let whisky alone and give no further cause for complaint.

Sales of Real Estate.

Charles A. Rucker to J. Etta Veech, the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of 11, 16, 3 east—$2683.

Clement Veech to Margaret J. Rucker, the south half of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of 10, 16, 3 east—$1300.

J S. Cussins to Thomas Lord, a half interest in lot 6. block 5, Southwestern addition to Decatur—$1 00.

Thomas Lord to J. S. Cussins, a half interest in lot 7 and 6 feet and 4 inches off the east side of lot 6, block 5, in Southwestern addition to Decatur—$1.

L. L. Wheeler to Nancy J. Fry, tract of land in 9, 16, 3 east, $774 69.

George W. Mendenhall to E. A. Morgan and T. N. Levitt, undivided half interest in a lot in block 3 in Maroa, $2000.

John Hamilton to J. B. Mathew, 40 acres in 18, 15, 1 east, $1200.

George A. Melhorn to John Melhorn, undivided interest of Samuel Stookey in 160 acres in 32, 17, 1 east, $1500.

Edmond Holly to W. H. Holly, land in Harristown township, $2728.

P. M Wikoff, J. N. Baker and Ida W. Baker to Laura B. Wikoff, west half of lot 9 in block 5, Bandy's addition, east half of lot 10, said block 5, $1.

P. M Wikoff and Laura B. Wikoff to Ida W. Baker, east half of lot 9 in block 5, Bandy's addition, also west half of lot 10 in said block, $1.

DEAD MAN FOUND.

The Body of Samuel Corbett Discovered This Morning Near the Oak Ridge School.

LAID IN A FIELD FOR A MONTH

And Was in Plain Sight of the Road—Man Had Been Missing Since Election Day—Epilepsy Supposed to be the Cause of Death.

The body of Samuel Corbett, an old man well known in this county, was found this morning in a wheat field on the Heckle place in Long Creek township near the Oakridge school house. The body had been lying in the field a short distance from the road ever since the 4th of November and it was decomposed and frozen. Corbett has been missing since election day and it was feared that he was dead. He has been subject to epileptic fits and it is quite certain that he met his death while under such a spell.

The body was found by two boys living in this city, Harry Foster and George Frances, who were driving in the country. The body was in the field a short distance from the road and in plain sight of those who passed. The boys noticed what they thought was a body and on examining it found that it was the remains of an old man. The matter was at once reported to Coroner Bendure and he, with James Moran, of the Wykoff & Reeve undertaking establishment, at once went to the place and took charge of the body. Corbett had in his pocket 70 cents in money, a pen knife, a lemon and a plug of tobacco.

Harry Walker, a farmer who lives just across the road from where the body laid, says that Corbett came to his house on the fourth or fifth of November and was inquiring for some one, but Walker could not understand what the man said as he did not seem able to speak plainly. The last seen of Corbett was when he started to cut across the wheat field. Mr. Walker says that he frequently saw a black object in the field but supposed that it was a stump and had no idea that it was the body of the man who had called at his house.

The supposition is that Corbett had a fit and died where he fell. He lived alone on a place several miles away During his lifetime he had always been an industrious man, working in the harvest field in the summer and cutting wood in the winter, but of recent years he has been of unsound mind on account of his affliction and has not been able to do much. He once owned the place where he lived but afterward mortgaged it He was always allowed to live on the place. A conservator was appointed for him to care for what little money he had left. It is said that he had a small amount of money in the hands of his conservator at the time of his death. Corbett was about 70 years old He has lived in the county for many years, and was known by many persons He leaves no children and his wife died a little over a year ago. No arrangements for the funeral have yet been made.

The body was brought to Wykoff & Reeve's undertaking room and tonight at 7:30 o'clock Coroner Bendure will hold an inquest.

Skating on the River

Anticipating that skating may be soon enjoyed the owners of the land from the boat landing at Riverside park down to the city dam, desire to give public notice, that it is contrary to law to mar, injure or damage any ice forming, formed or being formed upon any water from which ice is or may be taken as an article of merchandise; and that the penalty is fine or imprisonment in the county jail for a violation of this law.

They further notify the public that it is a criminal act for anyone to go upon their lands against their consent in order to get to the ice on the river.

Both these laws will be rigidly enforced this winter in order to protect the ice on the Sangamon river from the boat landing at Riverside to the city dam, and any person found skating or otherwise injuring the ice will be arrested and punished.

So that the public will not be deprived of the pleasure of skating the Electric Street Railway company will carry skaters to Riverside park, and has provided skating from the boat landing up the river as far as persons see fit to go.

City Electric R. R Co.

Murder in St. Louis.

St. Louis, Dec. 2—This afternoon Harry Schmelzer, a young man, quarreled with Christopher Ludwig, aged 52, and struck Ludwig with an ax killing him instantly Schmelzer escaped and is being pursued by a posse.

Cure for Headache.

As a remedy for all forms of Headache Electric Bitters has proved to be the very best. It effects a permanent cure, and the most dreaded habitual sick headaches yield to its influence. We urge all who are afflicted to procure a bottle, and give this remedy a fair trial. In cases of habitual constipation Electric Bitters cures by giving the needed tone to the bowels, and few cases long resist the use of this medicine. Try it once. 50c and $1.00 at West's drug store.

G. F. Gurdey, of Wichita, Kas, representing L. Wendling & Co., of Indianapolis, has rented the Ford building in Urbana and will put in a stock of general merchandise.

FASHION AND FANCY.

Late Notes on the Correct Things in Ladies' Dress.

"It seems little short of desecration to cut up and snip up such elegant material into small patches and strips merely for the sake of sewing them together again upon the same fabric," said an artistic costumer as she hesitated, shears poised in air over a roll of rich velvet. "But from all indications this is about what we are coming to, and that very shortly."

The edict has gone forth for pipings and cordings, narrow folds and straps and graduated sections of the same material as the dress or some suitable trimming goods. But all of us who have had any extended experience have learned, and sometimes to our sorrow that what the designer and the manufacturer propose is oftentimes made very short work of by the fastidious or capricious consumer who may or may not fancy the new style and, not liking it, will have none of it

The up-to-date woman is so well satisfied with her plain, stylish trim looking and comfortable skirt that she will make a very womanly struggle before she gives it up and goes over to stripes and patches And when all is said and done, the plain skirt is much handsomer, especially if the waist is bright fanciful or dressy.

The persistency of the average woman in her own way is nowhere more clearly shown than in her attachment to the separate waist While there are of course, numbers of dresses made with waist and skirt of single material the waist is likely to be so combined with other materials and trimmed by garniture that the sameness of the costume is entirely destroyed The has points of advantage The skirt is a very easy affair to construct It is inexpensive at home, and a number of women are able to turn out very creditable garments of this sort Besides one skirt will answer for several waists, and if the skirt is of good material it serves for many occasions

A new wrinkle in costumes is a plain skirt with a waist of brocade striped plaid, or figured velvet

One of these costumes has a plain skirt of gray camel's-hair The waist is of clan plaid velvet with puffings of silk the color of camel's hair The yoke is of closely shirred silk the puffs of the sleeves are of silk the lower portions of the sleeves are of velvet and from the yoke over shoulders and fronts fall silk tabs edged with velvet The belt and collar are of velvet with puffings of silk. Another costume is of olive broadcloth The sides of the waist are of the cloth the yoke is of old-rose silk in very close plaitings The tops of the sleeves are of the cloth The lower portions of old rose velvet with edgings of black velvet From the yoke to the waist line in front and back are graduated sections of rose velvet edged with black, and down the front on either side to the hem of the skirt extend panels of the velvet edged with black These panels are about [illegible] inches wide at the waist line and twelve inches wide at the foot Shoulder ruffles of old rose and olive [illegible] cover the sleeve puffs

Another pretty waist is of plaid blue and black velvet and heavy silk The waist is of bodice shape and close fitting From the neck of the waist a straight line to the belt in the front is cut away, and a vest of heavy silk is fitted in. This vest is closed over with narrow velvet ribbon [illegible] which at the present [illegible] are in a rage There is a V-shaped point of velvet running from the belt down into the vest, and a very wide, folded corselet belt, also of velvet The leg-o'-mutton sleeves have seven narrow ruffles edged with velvet ribbon The ruffles cover the space from the bodice seam to the elbows Below these the sleeves are close-fitting; the [illegible] collar is edged with velvet ribbon

The fancy for fur trimmings seems to have run mad, and ermine and sable are the favorites. Narrow bands of fur cover the seams of skirts from waist-line to hem, or are set row upon row around the lower portion of the skirt.

There are also models with the front breadth almost entirely covered with narrow rows of fur trimming Waists have bands of fur from shoulder-seams to bodice-point, and although the combination seems a trifle incongruous fur and lace and fur and gauze or chiffon are frequently seen Eton jacket and little cut away fronts of fur are popular for house or [illegible] as well as street use.

One of the most elegant costumes of the season is made of olive and black striped velvet with bolero fronts a rolled-back collar and deep cuffs of ermine. This is a calling or tea gown and with it is worn a black velvet toque trimmed with ermine and a standing collar of ermine. Long ribbons of black and white striped satin are looped in bows and ends are attached to the cape at the back of the neck also at the [illegible] ing in front.—N Y Ledger.

Twice Breaded Cutlets

Select fine, firm veal and cut the chops out from the ribs and meat trimmed neatly from the end of the bone, leaving about two inches to decorate with fringed paper Dip each chop into beaten egg and then into fine bread-crumbs, and set them in a very cold place for an hour; then dip them again in the beaten egg and roll them in bread crumbs, sprinkling well with salt and pepper Put some nice clarified beef fat in a frying pan and set it on the range When it becomes hot fry the chops carefully in it until they are a delicate brown; then lift them out and lay them on a hot platter with the bones end toward the edge of the dish Stick a fringed ring of tissue paper over the end of each rib Pour the tomato sauce on the dish with the chops being careful not to get any of it on the paper decorations Veal requires to be well cooked, but mutton chops, breaded, should be cooked very slightly.—N Y Ledger.

Fred Murphy, of Danville, is in the east of the Julia Marlowe company this

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THE BIG FIGHT.

Tom Sharkey and Bob Fitzsimmons Meet in the Ring at San Francisco.

SAILOR WINS THE BATTLE ON A FOU

The Fight by Rounds—It Was a He Contest—Decision Nearly Causes a Riot — Jabber by All the Parties.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 3.—The great battle between the noted heavyweights Bob Fitzsimmons and Tom Sharkey, the sailor, came off last night in the presence of 20,000 people, for a purse of $10,000 the winner taking all the money The betting odds were in favor of Bob, 2½ to 1 and just before the fight began the betting was 20 to 9 against the sailor. The boss of the ring was Referee Wyatt Earp who in the eighth round gave the fight to Sharkey on a foul, arousing the greatest indignation. Martin Julian, Dan Hickey and Jack Stenzler were seconds for Bob and George Allen, Billy Smith and Danny Needham for the sailor.

A Battling Fight.

At 10 30 the men shook hands.

Round 1—The man sparred a moment Fitzsimmons feints several times with his left but Sharkey gets away. Fitzsimmons lands lightly right on the head Sharkey clinches. Sharkey swings left at Fitzsimmons' body and a moment later landed a hard left swing on Fitzsimmons neck. Sharkey landed right and left on Fitzsimmons' head and ducked a vicious left swing. Sharkey tried wild his right for the head, but Fitzsimmons got away. Sharkey ducked a hard right swing Sharkey tries for the body as he rushes Fitzsimmons, landing left on the body Sharkey landed left, and got the same in return. Fitzsimmons knocked Sharkey down with his right twice in the jaw The round ended with Sharkey in his corner and Fitzsimmons trying for the neck

Round 2—The men sparred and Fitzsimmons landed a light left on the face Sharkey rushed, but Fitzsimmons clinched Fitzsimmons swings right and left but misses Sharkey landed a hard left on the chest Fitzsimmons tried a left for the face but got a light left on the head Fitzsimmons ducked a hard left Sharkey ducked a left and clinched Fitzsimmons swung right, but missed and then landed left on the head Fitzsimmons landed right on the head. Fitzsimmons landed left on the head Sharkey missed right and left for the head Sharkey landed right and left on body and neck and got two in return Fitzsimmons ducks a right swing. Fitzsimmons tried a left for the head and missed The round ended with Fitzsimmons the aggressor

Round 3—Fitzsimmons rushes, Sharkey ducks and clinches low Sharkey tried left for the body and then clinched Fitzsimmons swings right and left on the head. Sharkey swings right and left but with little damage Fitzsimmons staggered Sharkey with a right Sharkey swung left on the head. Fitzsimmons swings left and Sharkey ducks Sharkey landed a hard left on the face. Sharkey landed a hard left on the wind and away Sharkey ducks a hard left swing Sharkey is doing most of the leading the wind and again landed on the wind Fitzsimmons is evidently "laying" to get in a right on the jaw

Round 4—Sharkey landed left. Sharkey knocked Fitzsimmons down with left in the wind. He then ducks a swing and landed left on the wind times without return. Fitzsimmons fighting carefully. Sharkey ducks a right swing Fitzsimmons landed left Sharkey landed left on the face and wind rushed Fitzsimmons to the ropes. Fitzsimmons clinched. Sharkey tried for wind and missed. Sharkey landed left the wind and got left on the head. Sharkey landed a left swing on the head, staggering Fitzsimmons. Fitzsimmons swung right and left, staggering Sharkey. Fitzsimmons seven

Round 5—Both men stand up boldly the call of time Fitzsimmons tried right for the head. Sharkey clinched three Fitzsimmons Sharkey was bleeding from a cut over the left eye. Fitzsimmons landed left on the face. Fitzsimmons tried a left swing but missed Fitzsimmons swung left on the neck left on the wind. Fitzsimmons landed left and right swing on the head Sharkey ducks and clinches. Sharkey landed left on the face, twice, lightly Fitzsimmons landed right on the head Sharkey tried right and Fitzsimmons clinched In the scrummage Fitzsimmons landed right on the face and knocks Sh